### 3 PLO factions meet in Algiers

ALGIERS (Agencies) — The Palestine Liberation Organisation's (PLO) three largest factions met in Algeria Tuesday for reconciliation talks that would denote the fate of efforts to end four-year rift in the movement, Pelestinian officials said. The talks would also determine if the Palestine National Council (PNC) will meet as planned on April 20 in Algiers, said the officials. The officials said the talks were expected to drag for a few days until the three groups agree to political, organisational and financial reforms in the PLO charter. The meeting grouped Khalil Wazir, deputy commander of the PLO forces, George Habash, Secretary-General of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine, and Nayef Hawatmeh, leader of Democratic Front for the Liberation of Palestine.



### Kohl endorses Mideast conference

BONN (AP) — Chancellor Helmut Kohl, meeting with Israeli President Chaim Herzog on Tuesday, pledged West German support for an international Middle East peace conference. Dr. Kohl, in a luncheoo speech, said a conference of all major Middle Eastern parties is the only way to overcome conflict in the regioo. We consider that an international conference aimed at peace in the Middle East is currently the only road to negotiations," the Christian Democratic chancellor said. Officials said the issue of West German weapons sales to the Middle East was not mentioned during Mr. Herzog's meeting with Dr. Kohl. They said Dr. Kohl pledged to urge Bonn's Common Market partners to play a greater role in Middle East peace efforts.

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King heads for talks with Thatcher

after meeting Martens in Brussels

### Jordan launches protest at U.N.

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UNITED NATIONS (Petra) Jordan officially protested to the United Nations Security Council on Tuesday over Israel's violation of human rights in the occupied Arab territories. Jordan's protest was contained in an official memo presented by Jordan's Permanent Representative to the U.N., Abdullah Salah. The memo said Israel seized 18,000 dunums on the occupied West Bank in January to build Israeli settlements there. Such practices by the Israeli authorities constitute a flagrant encroachment upon the international law, the memo said.

### Majali appointed acting defence minister

AMMAN (Petra) — A Royal Decree was issued on Tuesday appointing Deputy Prime Minis-ter Abdul Wahab Al Majali as defence minister during the absence of Prime Minister and Defence Minister Zaid Rifai. Another Royal Decree was issued endorsing the new contractors law of 1987. The new law sets out the basis governing the classification of contractors and the fees which should be collected from each category.

### Abdali has 20,000 new phone lines

AMMAN (J.T.) — Director General of the Telecommunications Corporation (TCC) Mohammad Shahid Ismail said on Tuesday that the TCC had completed a project whereby 20,000 telephone lines in Abdali area had become available and were put into actual service. In a statement to the Arabic daily Al Ra'i, Mr. Ismail said anyone from Abdali, Shmeisani, Jabal Hussein and Sports City areas wishing to have a telephone could have it immediately without having to wait for his turn.

### Fahd to visit Paris

PARIS (R) — Saudi Arabia's King Fahd will visit France next week at the invitation of President Francois Mitterrand, the president's office said Tuesday. The king will make the official visit on April 15 and 16 but an official at Saudi Arabia's Paris embassy said King Fahd's programme had not yet been final-

### **Ministry conducts** study on hospitals

AMMAN (J.T.) - Health Minister Zaid Hamzeh said Tuesday that the Health Ministry had started work on a detailed study

### **SLA man killed**

TEL AVIV (R) — A militiaman from the Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army (SLA) was killed Tnesday by a roadside bomb in South Lebanon, Israeli sources said. The bomb exploded as an SLA foot patrol passed near the village of Falous

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His Royal Highness Prince Hassan, the Regent, visits an agriculture project in the Zarqa basin on Tuesday (Petra photo)

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Prince Hassan noted that ideal

### Regent visits Zarqa basin projects

AMMAN (Petra) - His Royal on cooperation and sincere coor-Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, on Tuesday toured ties involved. Zarga basin development projects and inspected progress of exploitation of land, water rework aimed at boosting the agri- sources and manpower was culture, production in the area. bound to increase agricultural

The Regent, speaking to peo-ple working on the site, said the He cal success of development projects private sectors to coordinate in any field depended primarily steps in order to realise optimum

He called oo the public and

ernment, he said, is keen to

The Crown Prince said the social hierarchy, especially be-tween the rural and urban populations, land fragmentation and misuse of cultivated land represented major impediments in efforts for further developing the agricultural sector. The govence idea.

BRUSSELS — His Majesty King Hussein left Brussels for London after holding talks with Belgian Premier Wilfried Martens and Foreign Minister Leo Tindemans and other Belgian officials on efforts for a just and comprehen-sive peace in the Middle East through the convening of an in-ternational peace conference.

In London, the King was ex-pected to hold talks with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and other British officials oo the ongoing efforts for convening the proposed conference.

The King's talks were expected to give a new impetus to efforts for peace in the Middle East amid a flurry of diplomatic moves within and ontside the region.

Mr. Tindemans told reporters after Tuesday's talks that Belgium, the currect president of the 12-nation European Community (EC), had received permission

Combined agency dispatches from the community to initiate contacts with Syria on the confer-

The EC froze ministerial contacts with Syria as part of largely symbolic sanctions against Damascus after Syria was implicated in an alleged plot to blow up an Israeli airliner at London

Mr. Tindemans said the King briefed Mr. Martens on his visit to Damascus last week as part of his efforts to clear the way towards convening the proposed international conference on the Middle East.

The Jordan News Agency, Petra, said the King explained to the Belgian leaders Jordan's stand towards the Arab-Israeli conflict and efforts that the Kingdom had launched towards convening the called-for conference under U.N. auspices with the participation of the five permanent members of Security Council and all parties involved in the Middle East con-

could play within the EC in contribution towards efforts for convening the conference, Petra

The King emphasised the importance of the role that Belgium

The King first beld a tete-a-tete meeting with Mr. Martens. The two leaders were later joined by Chief of the Royal Court Marwan Al Qasem, Armed Forces Commander-in-Chief Geoeral Sharif Zaid Ibo Shaker, Planning Minister Taher Al Kanaan and Jordan's ambassador in Belgium, Hassan Abu Nameh. On the Belgian side, the talks were attended by Mr. Tindemans and the gener-

al secretary of the Ministry of External Affairs, Trade and Cooperation and the Belgian ambassador to Jordan. The King later held a meeting with EC Commissioo Presideot

Jacques Delnrs. Mr. Tindemans later told reporters Syria was showing flexinternational conference peace in the Middle East.

Mr. Tindemans said be had received permission from the EC's member states to confer with Syria oo the peace moves and implied be could visit Damas-

Arab foreign ministers who wound up a three-day meeting in Tunis on Monday, said they welcomed the EC's willingness to play a role in efforts for Middle East peace, in spite of Syrian misgivings.

Syria expressed anger at the EC sanctions imposed against it in November but also said it and other Arab states regarded the community's February call for peace talks as a positive step. Mr. Tindemans said Tuesday:

"I'm not saying everything is solved — far from it — but certain positions are showing flexibility ... I am thinking also

(Continued on page 4)

# Iraq reports checking new Iranian offensive near Basra

BAHRAIN (Agencies)—The Iran-Iraq war flared up suddenly on Tuesday with Iraq saying its troops had killed thousands of Iranians in checking a new Tehran offensive on their southern war front.

The Iraqi News Agency (INA) IRNA claimed that Iranian forces

Ghadeer brigade of the Iranian Revolutionary Guards and the 21st brigade had been destroyed

Iraqi troops had surrounded the Iranians after the overnight attack was launched.

(Agencies) — An Israeli police-man shot a Palestinian resident of

Ramallah, on the occupied West

Bank, during violent demonstra-

tions Tuesday in which a fire-bomb was hurled at an Israeli

The Israeli military command

clamped a curfew on the business

centre of Ramallah, 15

kilometres north of here, reports .

A policeman shot the Ramal-

lah resident when he allegedly

tried to grab the policeman's re-

volver during a demonstration, the radio said.

Earlier, a molotov cocktail was

hurled at an Israeli military vehi-

de patrolling in Ramallah's town

centre. Nobody was injured in

In another incident an Israeli

Democratic Party (NDP) built up

an anticipate d solid lead on Tues-

day in early returns from par-

liamentary elections. A semor official said it was winning up to

Ahmad Rasikh, assistant in-

dementalist Muslim Brotherhood

80 per cent of the vote.

stone was thrown at his passing ported.

the attack, the report said.

military patrol.

quoted a correspondent in the had killed or wounded over 2,600 field as saying Iraq's forces were Iraqis in their new Karbala-8 porsuing retreatiog Iranian offensive and the thrust through offensive, Iraq said its warplanes

in the fighting.
The INA correspondent said northern part of Gulf. Noruz and

OCCUPIED JERUSALEM car. He was treated and sent

was slightly wounded when a events in the West Bank, re-

Iraqi defences was continuing.

flew 700 kilometres to bomb oil installations on the island of Sirri near the Strait of Hornuz.

INA said other formations bombed offshore oilfields of Noruz, Sirus and Ardeshir in the

Violent protests rock W. Bank

A secret agent on Monday shot

whn threw stones at his auto-

mobile shortly after midday on a

crowded main street near the old,

walled city in East Jerusalem, a

One of the Palestinians was hit

in the stomach and the other in

the arm, the spokesman said. The Ramallah incident on

Tuesday occurred during protests

in solidarity with about 4,500

Arab prisoners who are on the

14th day of a hunger strike, Israel

Israeli soldiers kept a close

watch as hundreds of Ramallah

residents marched through the

town centre Tuesday morning in

support of the prisoners, the Palestine Press, which monitors

police spokesman said.

Radio reported.

and wounded two Palestinians Nablus.

Arabs continue sit-in in support of prison strike

In all, the agency said, the Iraqi jets flew 247 combat missions against Iranian targets. Iran launched a major offen-

sive towards Iraq's second city of Basra in January, but little fighting had been reported from the area for several weeks. Iraqi President Saddam Hus-

sein, who presided over a meeting of his top military commanders in Baghdad two days ago, visited the northern city of Mosul on Tuesday to attend celebrations marking the 40th anniversary of the ruling Baath Arab Socialist

A Reuter correspondent reported from Mosul that political observers there said the Iranian offensive was timed to coincide "The Iranian oews agency Sirus also were attacked Monday. with the party's anniversary.

There were also protests in the

West Bank town of Hebron and

the refugee camp of Balata near

In Hebron, shops closed and students at a technical institute

left their classrooms to stone

Israeli vehicles travelling along

the road to Jerusalem, the radio

In East Jerusalem, a group of

Palestinian women sat outside the

local offices of the Red Cross for

a third consecutive day in sym-

pathy with the hunger-strike by

Arab prisoners in Israeli jails that

began on March 25, eyewitnesses

the number of bunger strikers

was 1,700, but Palestinian sources

said the majority of the 4,100

prisoners were on strike.

Israeli authorities said Monday

quoted by AP said.

report said.

Hundreds of thousands of oeople surrounded the platform holding President Hussein, chanting anti-Iranian slogans.

The president left by helicopter after an hour. INA said the Iranians pounded

residential neighbourhoods in Basra, which has a population of 500,000, with artillery during the Iraq said its strikes against

Iran's industrial targets were carried ont to mark the anniversary of the Baath Party.

Gulf-based marine salvage execotives confirmed the Iraqi attack on Sirri, adding that the targets were storage tanks and a pumping station. But the extent of damage was not known.

## Peres ends Spain visit

MADRID (Agencies) — Israeli Foreign Minister Shimon Peres Tuesday ended a two-day official visit to Spain after a private lunch with Spanish intellectuals and a tour of the city of Toledo.

hinch with a group of 30 intellec-tuals in Madrid prior to leaving for Rome.

He was to attend a meeting of the Socialist International in Rome before returning to Israel. Mr. Peres was to meet Palestinian and Soviet officials at the Socialist International meeting beld to discuss the Middle East.

Pentti Vaananen, secretary-general of the Socialist International, told a news conference Mr. Peres and the other officials had been invited to a session of the organisation's Middle East Israel's Labour Party, led by

Mr. Peres, is a member of the Socialist International which has extended special invitations to Palestinians Hana Siniora, a journalist in Jerusalem, and Fayez Abn Rahme from the occupied Gaza Strip. Mr. Vaananen said Karen Bru-

tents, from the International Department of the Soviet Communist Party's Central Committee, and Aleksandr Zotov, a consultant there, had also been invited to take part in the discussions. Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir on Tuesday said Mr. Peres should not continue to push for an international conference on Middle East peace.

"Uotil the government has decided (in favour) of a conference, I don't think (Mr. Peres) should pursue it," Mr. Shamir added in comments to reporters during a walking tour of Tel Aviv.

The prime minister declined to react to Mr. Peres' comment about the future of the national l unity government.

### Rifai and Masri continue U.S. talks after urging active American role the Palestinians living in the

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — Prime Minister Zaid Rifai and Foreign Minister Taher Al Masri held talks on Tuesday with U.S. Secretary of Defence Caspar Weinberger on efforts towards Middle East peace. Mr. Rifai and Mr. Masri, who

are here to seek an active American role in efforts towards convening an international conference on the Middle East under U.N. auspices, were scheduled to meet Vice-President George Bush and Secretary of State George Shultz later Tuesday.
The prime minister and foreign

minister met with U.S. Assistant Secretary of State Richard Murphy on Mooday and urged the Reagan administration to support the proposal for an international conference to be attended by the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council and all concerned parties in the Arab-

Mr. Rifai and Mr. Masri later met with Mr. Peter McPherson, the administrator of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) for talks in American aid to Jordan and

Israeli-occupied territories.
U.S. officials described the visit here by Mr. Rifai and Mr. Masri as a "sounding out opera-tion" to see whether U.S. views had developed oo an internation-

al peace conference. Up to now, Washington has expressed willingness to consider peace talks and would have no negotiations. decision-making powers.

change in that positioo, and one official told Reuters, "We want to hear their views, and they want to hear their views, and they want to hear their views, and they want to hear ours."

Mr. Murphy said Tuesday that there was a desire among some of the nations of the Middle East to move towards a peace agreement but it was difficult to bring Israel and the Arab Nations together. "It is a very dangerous situa-tion. I don't think it is a hopeless

situation. There is a desire out there to move ahead," Mr. Murphy told a House of Representa-

were expected to discuss U.S.

tives committee hearing. Mr. Rifai and Mr. Masri also

military and economic aid to Jordan, which amounts to \$55 million this year. The Reagan administration has asked Congress for \$71 million for 1988.

The United States has a scourate aid programme for the Palestinians who live in the West Bank. Assistance for the last two years totalled \$12 million. the idea provided a conference would lead to direct Arab-Israeli had said Syria was interested in

They are persuaded there's a There is oo immediate sign of serious interest in Damascus in

> States did not yet know whether Syria would actually be willing to sign a peace treaty with Israel or if it only sought a non-beligeren-cy pact with the Jewish state. Mr. Murphy reiterated the U.S. position that it would be willing to explore an international conference with the participation of the Soviet Union and the other Security Council members only if it led to direct Arab-Israeli talks.

it," be said. (Continued on page 4)

We're not enthusiastic about

# Syrians deploy Mr. Peres, the highest-ranking Israeli official to visit Spain since the two countries established relations on Jan. 17 of last year, had In Beirut camp

in Beirut on Tuesday in a bid to quell five months of fighting in the "camps war," witnesses

quoted by news agencies said. Dozens of Shatila residents clapped as more than 50 soldiers brandishing assault rifles and rocket-propelled grenade launchers walked past Shi'ite Amal militia siege lines into the small

A senior Syrian officer, Col-onel Abdul Salam Darghistani, led the men into Shatila's muddy alleyways, where he and other officers had already mapped out four positions. More than 7,000 Syrian troops

were sent into west Beirut in February but had not intervened to halt Syrian-backed Amal's conflict with the Palestinians. Fighting in the "camps war" has killed nearly 900 people since September and that, 3.200 resi-

dents of Shatila also suffered critical shortages of food, water and medicine since Amal blockaded the camp on Oct. 29. The Syrian reconnaissance of. Shatila was agreed at a meeting between Syrian observers, Amal

officials and representatives of the pro-Syrian Palestine National Salvation Front (PNSF). Beirut radio stations said the accord provided for Syrian troops to deploy at four points around Shatila and to occupy at least one

position at nearby Bouri Al Baraineh camp to guarantee freedom of movement for the refugees. Reporters who walked about 75 metres inside Shatila on Tues-

BEIRUT (Agencies) — Scores of Serian troops marched into the barred Shatila Palestinian camp

day found scenes of devastation and squalor.

Rubble and debris blocked lanes muddied by water from broken pipes and littered with

mounds of recking garbage.
Refugees stared at the Syrian team from shell-pocked houses (Palestinians struggle to survive,

Rescue workers were due to evacuate wounded from Bourj Al Barajneh, home to about 12,000 Plans for the evacuation were

made after Kuwaiti relief supplies reached Shatila on Monday despite sniper fire which killed one man and wounded two others. Political analysts said the latest Syrian moves indicated that

Damaseus, which supported Amal. was determined to end the bruising "camps war" in Beirut and South Lebanon. The said the presence of Syrian

troops at camp entrances would lift the blockades which Amal has innosed since October. Shatila and Bourj Al Barajneh

were reported calm overnight and A senior Amal official, Haith-

am Jumaa, responded cautiously earlier when asked about a possible Syrian deployment, saying it would occur "when the Palestinians withdraw totally from all areas east of Sidon."

"Then Amal will lift its military siege," he said. "Amal has agreed to a total ceasefire, to lift the food blockade and to allow all humanitarian measures - but the Syrian deployment will come only with the withdrawal of guerrillas

### Reagan delays American move into new embassy in Moscow

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — President Royald Reagan announced Tuesday that American diplomats would not occupy the new embassy in Moscow until be is sure that it is secure from Soviet eavesdropping. And he said that the Soviets would not he allowed to move into their new office tower on a Washington hilltop until the Americans moves into the Moscow facility. "The United States will not

occupy our new embassy building in Moscow unless and until I can be assured that it is safe to move into a secure embassy environment," he said. "Likewise, the Soviet Union

will not be allowed to occupy their new embassy in Washington until a simultaneous move by both countries is possible." He said the examination of

U.S. security in Moscow would include an evaluation of the new embassy building to determine "whether it will ever be secure or whether it may be necessary to destroy and rebuild it."

In a related move, the United States accused the Soviet Union Tuesday of "a breach of the norms of diplomatic conduct" by infiltrating the U.S. embassy in Moscow with alleged spies and

listening devices. The formal protest was filed in the Soviet capital by Ambassador Jack Matlock and announced at the State Department by Charles Redman, the chief spokesman. "I don't think there are any doubts what our concerns are," Redman

aimed at identifying the actual costs of commissioning and maintaining Ministry of Health hospitals. Such a study, the first of its kind in Jordan, aims at identifying the actual cost of each government hospitals separately, the minister said. In a statement to the Arabic daily Al Ra'i, Dr. Hamzeh said the study would contribute effectively to defining the budget of each hospital separately and help the ministry to identify all items of expenditure.

• Kuwait seeks protection Queen opens national

terior minister and overseer of care, page 3 Monday's polling, told the state-• Fresh sparks in the Aerun Middle East News Agency (MENA) an opposition alignment that inclodes the fun-

> was running second. He gave no estimate of its showing. "The NDP is leading, see sawing between 75 and 80 per cent of the total number of valid votes cast, according to the (mcomplete) count so far," Mr. Rasikh said. He did not say what percen-

CAIRO (Agencies) — President lated. Hosni Mobarak's National The The NDP controlled 390 seats in the People's Assembly that was dissolved last February. The

Ruling party builds solid lead

house has 448 elected seats, and up to 10 others may be filled by presidential appointment. Mr. Rasikh said the right-wing opposition New Wafd Party, which held 58 seats in the pre-

vious assembly, placed third in early and incomplete results. The New Wafd, which like NDP favours secular government, had the technically outlawed but officially tolerated Muslim Brotherhood on its ticket

This time the Brotherhood,

which advocates an Islamic state

under the Sharia, shifted to its

alliance with the left-wing Social-

ist Labour Party and the Liberal

in the 1984 election.

damentalist position.

on April 22. Mr. Mubarak had the old assembly dissolved in February and called elections a year ahead

in the early tabulations, with the tiny Islamic-oriented Umma Party at the rear.

in Egyptian parliamentary polls

Final results from the poll, in which the NDP and five opposi-tion parties fought for 448 elected seats, were expected on Thursday and the assembly was set to meet

of schedule after court challenges to the constitutionality of the election laws. Mr. Rasikh said the pro-Soviet UPD came behind the New Wafd

He said the trend indicated that the Umma was almost certain to be eliminated from the assembly for failing to win eight per cent of tage of the vote had been tabu- Party, which during the campaign the vote.

# Palestinians struggle to survive in besieged Lebanon camps

BEIRUT (AP) — Palestinians blockaded in refugee camps by Lebanese Shi'ite Muslim fighters are struggling for survival despite the presence of Syrian soldiers trying to enforce peace in mainly Muslim west Beirut.

Militiamen of Justice Minister Nahih Berri's maiostream Shi'ite Amal Movement have blockaded the Palestinian refugee camps of Shatila and Bourj Al' Barajneh camps for more than four months.

Efforts by camp residents to get food have been met by sniper fire and bombs. A truce that began Monday was rocked when sniper fire killed a Palestinian man unloading food at the Shati-

Only a few trucks of food supplies donated through the Un-ited Nations have been allowed into hoth shantytowns, not enough to fill the empty stomachs of hungry refugees.

"People are very very hungry. We're having less than a 1,000 calories per day, which is near starvation level," said Dr. Chris Giannou. 38. of Toronto, Canada. He is the only surgeon in the devastated Shatila camp.

Hunger, frustration and almost non-stop sniper fire has led the Palestinian refugees to consider desperate measures.

People have already started thinking and are planning types of suicide mission in order to hring food into the camp," Dr.

WASHINGTON (R) - The Un-

ited States has condemned the

murder of women and children at

Palestinian refugee camps in

Lebanon and called for an im-

mediate ceasefire among fighting Palestinians and Shi'ite Muslims.

State Department deputy

spokesman Phyllis Oakley re-

spooded specifically to a Washingtoo Post first-person

account from inside the besieged

Bourj Al Barajneh camp in

and women have made what have become virtual "suicide mis-

sions" daily as they left the camp

to buy food for camp residents

rather than starve to death. It

quoted a Dutch nurse working inside the camp as saying that

"atleast 18 have died in one

month on their way in or out,

shot by militiameo ringing Bourj

Ms. Oakley told reporters:

"We condemn in the strongest

terms the murders of women and

children which the report about

conditions at the Palestinian re-

fugee camp near Beirut high-

"We are dismayed that inno-

cent civilians should continue to

carry the burden of disputes not

of their making," she added. The Shi ite Muslim Amal mili-

tia has demanded that Palestinian

The newspaper said young girls

Beirut.

Al Barajneh."

U.S. condemns killing of

women by Amal snipers

Giannou, told the Associated Press in a radio interview from

The so-called camps war eased when 7,500 Syrian commandos deployed in west Beirut on Feb. 22. The Syrians curbed three years of chaotic militia reign in the capital's western sector including periods of vicious infighting.

The Syrian deployment in west Beirut did not include the vicinity of the two contested refugee camps, which are outside the municipal boundaries of the city. And they have not intervened to stosp the Shi'ite-Palestinian battle for control of the camps in Beirut and others in South

Lehanon. Efforts aimed at finding a settlement to the conflict have failed to achieve a lasting ceasefire.

"All the talks to end the camps" war have failed simply because (Palestine Liberation Organisation Chairman Yasser) Arafat was not represented," Lebanese official said.

Speaking on condition of not being identified, the official said: "I do not foresee any solution to the Amal-Palestinian war unless it is approved by Arafat."

Amal claims it is fighting the

commandos withdraw from areas

they captured south east of Sidon

last November in exchange for

the lifting of the food and medical

hlockade it has imposed oo Bourj

Al Barajneh, as well as on the

At least 880 people have died

in the Amal-Palestinian "camps

war" in Beirut and South Leba-

receives letter

TRIPOLI, Libya (AP) - Libyar

leader Col. Muammar Qadhafi

has received from Turkish Presi-

dent Kenan Evren "a letter of

thanks and good wishes" in reply to Col. Qadhafi's recent letter on

tension between Turkey and

Greece, the Libyan News Agency

JANA reported Tuesday. The

Turkish president "reviewed in

his letter the aspects of the con-

flict which caused this tension

between Turkey and Greece and

the international decisions made.

Col. Oadhafi, in his letter to

Gen. Evren, had counselled res-

traint after Turkey and Greece

threatened military moves nearly

two weeks ago over oil explora-

Date with a Star

thereto," the dispatch said.

from Evren

non since last September.

Qadhafi

Palestinians to prevent Mr. Arafat from rebuilding the Lebanon power base he lost in the Israeli invasion. It has received backing for its efforts from Syrian President Hafez Assad, who has been trying to undermine Mr. Arafat's leadership of the Palestinian

Mr. Arafat has denied he has plans to rebuild his forces in

However, United Nations and Palestinian sources say at least 3.500 hardcore PLO commandos have filtered back to Beirut and South Lebanon in the past 23

The blockade is not new to refugees of Shatila. The tiny camp was besieged by the invading Israeli army in 1982. Rightwing Falangist militiamen took advantage of the invasion to move in and massacre up to 1,000 civilians, mostly women and chil-

More than 90 per cent of Shatila has been destroyed, according. to Dr. Giannou.

"This small area is overcrowded with a population of about 3,000," he said.

The adjacent camp of Sabra has been demolished, overrun by Amal forces when the "camps war" started in 1985. Sabra's 6.000 Palestinian refugees were again displaced, scattered to other camps in Lebanon.

The destruction is less in the 23-month-old intermittent Amnearby refugee camp of Bouri Al Palestinian war in Lebanou.

BEIRUT (R) — Beirut Universi-ty College (BUC) appealed Tues-day for nationwide support in its

campaign for the release of four foreign professors held hostage in Lebanon for more than two

Several daily newspapers car-

ried large advertisements together with photographs of

Americans Alann Steen, Jesse Turner, Robert Polhill and Indi-

"Help us to secure the release

of our four kidnapped profes-

sors," the advertisements said in English and Arabie in the name

The advertisements did not say

an Mithileshwar Singh.

of "friends of BUC."

BUC widens campaign

for release of academics

damage to planes on carrier near Oman Barajneh. About 50 per cent of the bomb-scarred shantytown has

been devastated by Shi'ite

attacks. Much of the rest of the

camp is damaged, according to British Doctor Patiline Cutting.

an everyday struggle just to sur-vive," said Dr. Cutting, 40, in a

radio interview with the AP from

siege of Bourj Al Barajneh after the camp's 20,000 Palestinian re-

fugees were reported to have

eaten cats, dogs and mules. It

allows only women and children

to shop for food in surrounding

However, this limited freedom

risk. At least 29 Palestinian

women have been killed hy

Shi'ite snipers since Amal

allowed the shopping shortly af-ter the Syrian deployment in

In addition to shortages of food, water and medical supplies,

the two camps suffer from the lack of heating and cooking fuel,

windows left in Shatila. They

were all used either for cooking or iheating," Dr. Giannon said.

at least 1,600 people have been killed and 3,600 wounded in the

23-month-old intermittent Amal-

provide support, but the wives of

the four academics have been at

the forefront of sit-in protests,

demonstrations and appeals

The four - all seized from

BUC campus on Jan. 24 are

among 28 foreigners missing, be-

The kidnappings have been

claimed by an underground group

calling itself Islamic Jihad for the

The hostage-takers have de-manded the release of 400 Arabs

held in Israeli prisons and in statements issued to local news-

papers have said Steen was criti-

A Mnjahedeen communique

said the guerrillas carried out a

troops dead or wounded, while

five were taken captive.

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Fire causes

WASHINGTON (Agencies) — A small fire aboard the U.S. aircraft carrier Kitty Hawk in the Arabian Sea caused minor injuries and extensive water damage to several airplanes, the navy has said.

The navy, responding to questions submitted by a reporter, said the fire occurred on March 31 while the carrier was anchored in the northern Arabian Sea, off the Omani Island of Al Masirah.

The fire erupted in an empty compartment or "void space" off the starboard side of the main hangar deck, an area that was supposed to be free of any sup-plies or material, the navy said. Two sailors were treated and released for minor smoke inhalation after the blaze, which did not cause much damage, the service

The blaze touched off some automatic sprinkler systems, and the water in turn caused extensive damage to six nearby aircraft that had been parked with their cock-

The navy said it had no estimate as yet for the damage caused to the airplanes - two A-7's and three A-6's, both ground-attack jets, and one S-3 Vikithr.

The blaze apparently involved some type of "oily substance," but the cause of the fire is still under investigation, the navy

Meanwhile the United States will keep an aircraft carrier battle group in the Indian Ocean near Iran for the foreseeable future to eassure Arab states in the tronbled Gulf region.

The officials, who asked not to be identified, also said Kuwait had turned down, at least temporarily, a U.S. offer to escort its tankers in and out of the Gulf, where Iran and Iraq have attacked ships in their six-year old war. The Kitty Hawk and its battle

group of 11 support ships currently are patrolling the northern Arabian Sca. The Kitty Hawk was scheduled to move from the Indian Ocean

to the Mediterranean early this month, but Iran's recent station ing of Silkworm anti-ship missiles near the mouth of the Gulf prompted Washington to extend the Kitty Hawk's tour, the officials said. They said plans are to send

another carrier, probably from California, to replace the Kitty Hawk when she leaves the northern Indian Ocean.

The Kitty Hawk, with more than 80 jet fighters, bombers and electronic aircraft, backs up recent Reagan administration warnings to Tehran against using the Chinese-made Silkworm missiles against tanker shipping.

The administration has said repeatedly that Washington will not allow Gulf oil shipments to Japan, Western Europe and the rest of the world to be cut off. | remain in Ivory Coast.

# Kuwait reportedly wants foreign flags on its ships in Gulf war zone

NEW YORK (R) - Kuwait some of the tankers so they would wants to protect some of its ships fly the American flag ... in the Gulf war zone by having them fly the flags of the Unite States and the Soviet Union, the New York Times Tuesday re-

. Kuwait has backed Iraq in its seven-year: war against Iran and its ships have increasingly been the target of Iranian reprisals. "Kuwait has proposed an in-

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direct way to allow the United States to protect Knwaiti-owned ships from attack in the Gulf by transferring the registration of

to have some of their ships fly the Soviet flag, according to United States officials," the newspaper

registrations to Euroepean countries, the officials said.

The United States and Kuwait have been negotiating for over a month on protecting Knwaiti

The officials said Kuwait had declined an offer of American naval escorts as too public an admission of its need for protection. It considered having both Soviet and U.S. escorts, however, but the United States was Kuwait was also examining the possibility of transferring other

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Soviet tankers that have been contracted to take Kuwaiti oil through the Gulf might have Soviet escorts, they speculated

## **Former** Chadian leader in Abidjan

ABIDJAN (R) — Former Cha-dian leader Goukouni Oueddei flew here for talks on the Chadian conflict with Ivorian President Felix Houphonet-Boigny.

He arrived via Bamako on

what is believed to be his first trip out of Algeria where he settled last mouth after years of exile in Tripoli, the Libyan capital.

Speaking to Ivorian television at Abidjan International Airport where he was met by four government ministers, including Foreign Minister Simcon Ake, Mr. Goukouni said: "I came to search for a solution to the Chadian drama with President Houphouet-Boigny, who is known as the wise man of Africa, and once this is done, I want to go home."

Foreign reporters were not allowed into Abidjan airport's VIP lounge where Mr. Goukouni was interviewed by Ivorian televi-

Diplomatic sources say they expect the Ivorian leader, a staunch supporter of Chadian President Hissene Habre, to press Mr. Goukouni to publicly

break with Libya.

His Popular Armed Forces
(FAP) defected last year and
were actively involved, alongside President Hissene Habre's regular army, in a recent rout of Libyan troops.

But Mr. Goukoum himself, whose relationship with Libya re-

mains unclear, has yet to follow the example of most other rebel leaders who have returned home. Some were given top government positions. Mr. Goukouni, a former presi-

dent of Chad ousted by Mr. Habre in 1982, has been negotiating in Algiers conditions for his return with officials of the N'Djamena government. Mr. Habre has said Mr.

Gonkouni would be given a hero's welcome if he returned home but Chadian Information Minister Moumine Togoi Hamidi acknowledged last week that bitterness remained between the two men.

It was not immediately known how long Mr. Goukouni would

# Canadian firm pleads guilty to Iran arms bid

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Canadian export form has pleaded quilty to conspiring to sell \$30 million in U.S. M-60 tank engines and parts to Iran by making it appear Pakistan would be the recipient.

Levy Auto Parts of Canada, headquartered in Toronto, admitted in U.S. district court that it conspired with a Pakistani middleman to arrange the sale, in violation of U.S. export control laws. The sale, however, never took place.

The conspiracy lasted from about April 1981 to March 1982, according to Assistant U.S. Attorney Joseph J. Aronica. He told U.S. district Judge Albert V. Bryan Jr. in suburban Alexandria, Virginia, that the Levy Firm knew the State Department would not approve the sale to Iran and conspired to make it seem that Pakistan would receive

Mr. Aronica said the sale fell through because Pakistan refused

to provide Iran with the "end-user" certificate that would have identified Pakistan as the recipient of the engines and parts. The firm pleaded guilty to a one-count conspiracy violation and was fined the maximum \$10,000. The company also agreed to pay \$4,000 for the cost of the investigation.

The company already had re-ceived an administrative suspension that prevented it from hand-ling U.S. Defence Department business for 2½ years.

Charges were dropped against two officials of the firm — Morris Levy, who resigned as executive vice president as part of the agreement, and Al Raskin, who already had retired as general

Mr. Aronica told the court that during the period of the conspira-cy, "export licenses for defence articles including M-60 tanks and tank parts would not be approved for the sale and export to the Islamic Republic of Iran."

### **Rabin: Some Americans want** to keep Pollard affair alive accused of recruiting Pollard.

HAIFA (AP) — Defence Minister Yitzhak Rabin said Tuesday "certain elements in the United States" wanted to keep alive the Pollard affair, which has hurt Israel-U.S. relations. "Certain elements in the Un-.

ited States want to keep the Pollard case alive for their own reasons," Rabin told reporters in Haifa, adding: "I won't say who Jonathan Jay Pollard, 32, a

former U.S. navy intelligence analyst, was sentenced to life in Israel hundreds of classified military documents. His wife Anne Henderson-Pollard, 26, was given a five-year term for assisting him. Rabin, visiting wounded Israeli

soldiers in a hospital, said the resignation of Col. Aviem Sella from his post as commander of the Tel Nof Air Base had improved relations with the United

But he added, "I'm not sure the Sella resignation closed the

Rabin said military relations between Israel and the United States were normal, "Everything relating to the two countries armies I believe meet all the expectations of both sides," he Rabin refused to discuss his

expected appearance Wednesday before a two-member government-appointed committee investigating who gave the order to recruit Pollard, an American Jew, and who was aware of his e acuvines.

The committee, which began its work last month, will take testimony from Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir in his office on Friday, Israel Radio reported.

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The committee resumed its probe this week after a 10-day break because one of its members, retired Gen. Zvi Tzur, was abroad on business. A parliamentary committee is

also continuing to investigate the affair although four of its seven members, including chairman Sella, 46, was indicted in early Abha Eban, are out of the March by a U.S. grand jury and country.

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### TODAY'S EVENTS

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**EXHIBITIONS** 

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An exhibition of photographs from North Korea at the University of Jor-

An art exhibition by Mohammad Qaitouqah, at the Spanish Cultural Coutre, Amman.

"Villages anciens" at 4:00 p.m. at the French Cultural Centre.

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continues). The Roman Theatre, Amman, Opening hours: 9.00 a.m.-5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 651760.

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## Majali, Judeh hold talks with Kuwaiti delegation

AMMAN (Petra) — Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of State for Prime Ministry Affairs Abdul Wahhab Majali on Tuesday held talks with a visiting Kuwaiti delegation on means to improve bilateral relations in all fields of cooperation.

The delegation, headed by secretary general of the Kuwaiti cabinet, Khaled Ahmed Al Hamad, were also received by Minister of State for Parliamentary Affairs Sami Judeh who discussed with them scopes of cooperation between the two countries and ways of improving bilateral ties. Both meetings were attended by the Cabinet's Secretarv General Sa'd Eldeen Juma'a.

Later in the day, the delegation met with president of the legisla-tion bureau at the Prime Ministry Eisa Tammash. The two sides discussed prospects of increasing the scope of cooperation in legislation and administrationrelated affairs

The delegation were also briefed by the economic councellor at the Prime Ministry Fayez Tarawneh on the administrative systems employed at the Prime Ministry regarding the economic sectors in the Kingdom.

### Anani suggests measures to reactivate the economy

By Sa'ad G. Hattar Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — A prominent Jordanian economist has painted a bright picture of the country's economy but has cautioned that unless prompt measures are taken to reactivate the business chimate the current situation could well be aggravated.

Dr. Jawad Anani, president of the Royal Scientific Society (RSS), stressed that Jordan's economic growth rates over the past three decades were generally positive, except for certain phases characterised by low growth as a result of various external factors.

Jordan's present situation, therefore, should not be looked upon as an exception to the rule as overall the Kingdom's growth has been continuing at a stable rate, said Dr. Anani m a lecture he delivered upon an invitation from the Lions Alumni Club.

He underlined the need to promote economic administration and to depend primarily on domestic resources in an effort to bring the economic cycle back on track." Promoting selfsufficiency and employment, coupled with moves to generate an ncrease in exports should be the focus of the government's economic policies, added Dr. Anani, who has held various ministerial

He said that instead of subsidis-

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gave no details about the talks.

**NEWS IN BRIEF** 

AMMAN (Petra) - Foreign Minister Taher Al Masri Tuesday

praised Chinese-Jordanian relations describing them as both

friendly and strong. In a cable he sent to the foreign minister of

the Peoples Republic of China on the tenth anniversary of

Jordan's keepness to make every possible effort to bolster ties of cooperation between the two friendly countries. Mr. Masti added that Jordan greatly appreciates China's active contributions and

support for just Arab causes as well as the international efforts,

AMMAN (Petra) - A Royal Decree was issued Tuesday:

endorsing the law of appropriation, recently passed by the Upper and Lower Houses of Parliament. The new law defines the bases,

of land and property appropriation as well as means of solving

land disputes between owners. Articles in the law provide for

means and methods of paying tax to the treasury on appropria-

tion. Another decree issued on Tuesday endorsed a regulation

concerning fees for road advertising signs posted outside the

AMMAN (J.T.) - Speaker of the Lower House of Parliament

Akef Al Fayez Tuesday received Iraqi Ambassador to Jordan Ghafel Jassem, the Jordan News Agency, Petra, reported. Petra

Committee prepares for seminar on Agaba

AQABA (Petra) — A preparatory committee entrusted with

making the necessary arrangements to hold a seminar on Aqaba,

the past and the present, to be held later this month under the

patronage of His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan met on

Tuesday under the chairmanship of President of the Agaba

Region Authority Bassam Qaqish. The committee discussed final,

arrangements for holding the seminar and agreed who will take

part in the seminar and the working papers to be discussed. The working papers deal with transport, ports, tourism, science and technology and trade and industry.

Nadim hospital to treat ministry patients

MADABA (J.T.) - The Health Ministry has reached agreement

with the Al Nadim Hospital in Madaba to transfer any patients which cannot be accommodated at the government hospital in the city. The agreement is in line with the Health Ministry's new

policy to utilise empty beds in private hospitals and at the same

time to ease pressure on government hospitals, in accordance with

a recently introduced health scheme covering all citizens. The

150-bed Al Nadim Hospital was inaugurated by His Royal

Highness Crown Prince Hassan on March 25. The JD 2.5 million

hospital has three operating rooms and four outpatient clinics as

well as a laboratory, an X-ray unit and other essential facilities.

Jordan attends technical talks on industry

AMMAN (Petra) - Jordan is taking part in the meetings of the

Arab technical consultative committee on industry which opened

in Baghdad on Tuesday. Dr. Akram Karmoul, advisor at the

Ministry of Planning, is representing Jordan at the meeting which

will discuss subjects on the agenda of the Arab Organisation for Industrial Development, due to be held in Tunis in 1989. Among

the main topics, he said, are inter-Arab trade exchange, market-

ing the products of joint. Arab projects, developing a pan-Arab transport system and laws on industrial investment.

AMMAN (Petra) — The general unitary governor on Tuesday, ratified a military court ruling which sentenced Abdullah Abdullah to three and a half years imprisonment and fined him JD 350

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for possession of hashish.

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aimed at establishing peace in the Middle East.

Decree okays land appropriation law

Fayez meets with Iraqi ambassador

ing imports, the government should support exports and that the private sector should shoulder its responsibilities side by side with the government.

Technical training, research

Dr. Anani said that priority should be given to technical training and scientific research which would ultimately reduce production costs and improve quality. Science and technology, however, can not be acquired without a political decision in that regard

The RSS president called for the introduction of incentives for the private sector with regard to employing private capital. The private sector, be said, should impose its demands on the government instead of waiting for the government to furnish them with investment opportunities.

The lecture, which included a dinner at the Marriott Hotel, was followed by a debate in which members of the audience argued certain points in Dr. Anani's presentation, especially capital fight, turning Jordan into a free zone, government restrictions on the private sector and unemploy-

Several Jordanian economists, government officials and businessmen attended the lec-

## Regent, E. German minister of higher education discuss bilateral ties

AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, on Tuesday received Minister of Higher Education in the German Democratic Republic (GDR) Hans Joachim Baume for discussions on means to boister bilateral relations in higher education and scientific research.

The visiting minister, who arrived in Amman Sunday on a four-day visit to Jordan, extended: preetings from the East German head of state Eric Honecker to the Regent.

The Regent briefed Professor Baume on Jordan's policy to qualify and train manpower as well as the Kingdom's drive to acquire advanced technology. The meeting was attended by Court Minister Adnan Abu Odeh and Minister of Higher Education

Hindawi briefs Baume

Nassereddin Al Assad.

Jaber details

Israel's land

U.N. commission

NAIROBI (Petra) - Minister of

Municipal and Rural Affairs and

the Environment Yousef Ham-

dan Al Jaber Tuesday said that

the Palestine question and the

Arab-Israeli conflict are the ma-

jor preoccupations of Jordan

which shoulders a special respon-

sibility towards its kinsmen in the

Addressing the 10th session of the United Nations Commission

on Human Settlements which be-

gan its meeting in Nairobi on Monday, Mr. Al Jaber said Jor-

dan has been extending financial

and moral support to the people in the occupied Arab territories

to enable; them to stay in their homeland, and, to, withstand, Israeli plans aimed at uprooting them and confiscating their land-

for building Jewish settlements.

the West Bank in June 1967, the

Israeli occupation anthorities

have seized 2,738,000 dunums of

Arab land in the occupied West

Bank, the minister continued.

The Israeli authorities also built

195 settlements and demolished

and sealed more than 15,000

houses belonging to Arab citizens in the occupied Arab territories,

he noted. Mr. Al Jaber called on

the international community to

extend every possible support to

the inhabitants of the occupied

Arab territories.
Outlining Jordan's contribu-tion towards the human settle-

ment programmes and activities, Mr. Al Jaber said that a memor-

andum of agreement between Jordan and the committee had

been signed and had been in force

since the beginning of 1987.

However, the minister noted that

Jordan is still waiting for the

Since the Israeli occupation of

occupied Arab territories.

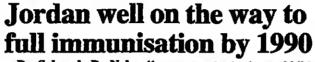
seizures at

in Nairobi

Earlier on Tuesday, Minister of Education Thoukan Hindawi held talks with Prof. Baume and briefed him on the Kingdom's educational policy as well as its plans to promote the education system in Jordan.

dan's universities. Prof. Baume The visiting minister reviewed expressed his country's willinghis country's educational policy which, he said, focuses on vocaness to further cooperate with the Jordanian Ministry of Health in tional training. Prof. Baume pre-sented the Ministry of Education terms of receiving medical cadres: for training in East Germany.

holds talks with Minister of Higher Education in the German Democratic Republic Hans Joachim Banme (Petra photo) with a number of books on in-On Monday, Prof. Baume was received by Deputy Prime Minis-ter and Minister of State for Prime Ministry Affairs Abdul Wahhab Majali who discussed discussed with him prospects of with him existing cooperation between Jordan and East Germany. Both sides emphasised the importance of further promoting the copes of cooperation, especially in the cultural and academic fields as well as increasing the number of scholarships for either country in implementation of an agreement on cultural cooperation signed between the two



His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan, the Regent, Tuesday

Jordan Times Staff Reporter

Health Minister Zaid Hamzeh

also met with Prof. Baume and

enhancing bilateral relations in

health fields and medical educa-

Dr. Hamzeh reviewed the

higher education programmes in

the faculties of medicine at Jor-

AMMAN — Jordan celebrated; World Health Day on Tuesday, upbolding this year's World Health Organisation (WHO) motto "immunisation, a chance

Agency (UNRWA) and the Un-ited Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) are planning major immunisation campaigns in coop-eration with the Ministry of Health. Their goal is maximum immunisation through vaccination against child-killer diseases.

UNICEF Regional Director for the Middle East and Africa Richard Reid said Tuesday that Jordan, along with most countries: in the region, was already on the way of achieving the ultimate goal of total immunisation by the year 1990. He said Jordan is now on target with 80 per cent

"If we were able to achieve th goal of total immunisation by 1990, it would be the greatest public health breakthrough of the century," Mr. Reid said. Six child-killer diseases claim the lives of 600 children a day in Arab states and 8,000 all over the

Addressing reporters at the UNICEF beadquarters here, Mr. Reid said that compared to the rest of the world, Arab countries were "the fastest" in the direction of realising the U.N. goal. "Countries of the region are

countries in the world," be said. According to the UNICEF regional director, Jordan has the challenge of fighting two of the most fatal child diseases, measles and neo-natal tetanus which claim the lives of four to five

children in Jordan every day. "It is our duty to see that Jordan moves very swiftly towards the goal of immunisation for all children by 1990," he said, adding that "Jordan has an outstanding immunisation record."

Mr. Reid praised UNRWA which he said was doing "a super job" in the field of immunisation. He pointed out that in the Palestinian refugee camps, the relief agency has been able to reach a record 95 per cent of immunisation, one of the highest in the

He added that his organisation is constantly cooperating with UNRWA and the World Health Organisation in coordination with the Ministry of Health.

WHO announced on Monday that it had decided to ban smokm its Geneva neado UNICEF, according to Mr. Reid, is planning to follow suit and said that the staff committee in the Amman headquarters will be discussing banning smoking in most of its offices.

The deputy director of UN-RWA affairs in Jordan delivered a speech on Tuesday in which he reviewed his agency's services to Palestinian refugees in the country. He said that much more can still be done in the area of health care and vaccination. There are nearly 835,000 Palestinian re-

# By Salameh B. Ne'matt

for every child."

The two main concerned orga-nisations in the Kingdom, the United Nations Relief and Works

coverage.

world.

ahead of any other grouping of fugees in Jordan.

### Detoxification ward In addition to the comprehen-psychological and neurological AOAS cites 'financial problems'

By Salameh B. Ne'matt

Jordan Times Staff Reporter

Her Majesty Queen Noor Tuesday patronises the opening of Jordan's first comprehensive National Centre for Mental Health (Petra photo)

ly ill and psychiatric patients, the national centre also includes Jordan's first detoxification ward which has 50 beds for drug addicts and alcoholics.

Queen inaugurates Jordan's

mental care, rehabilitation

Comprehensive centre to offer free treatment,

training and after care to psychiatric patients,

drug addicts and alcoholics

By Rana Sabbagh

Jordan Times Staff Reporter

FUHAIS - Jordan's first-ever

comprehensive National Centre

for Mental Health (NCMH) was

inaugurated by Her Majesty

Queen Noor on Tuesday, herald-

ing a new era of development in

the field of the treatment, care

and rebabilitation offered to

psychiatric and mentally-ill pa-

Situated among the green hills.

and fields of Fuhais, the JD 2.5

million centre, with a capacity of

200 beds, will also be providing medical training for staff working

with psychiatric patients, includ-ing specialised doctors, nurses

and auxiliary nurses. The centre,

as of the beginning of this year.

embarked on a three-year and a

two-year psychiatry programme for resident physicians and

psychiatric nurses respectively.

Crowds of people lined the main streets leading to the

national bospital to cheer Queen

Noor who has been a main driv-

ing force behind the establish-

ment of the modern psychiatric

centre for integrated care and

In 1981 while on a visit to the

Fuhais psychiatric hospital, which

lies adjacent to the new centre,

Queen Noor urged the concerned

authorities to speed up efforts to

establish a specialised institution

to deal with all areas related to

mental and psychiatric ailments,

including treatment, follow-ups

on discharged patients, training

programmes and vocational and

social rehabilitation facilities.

Her Majesty's aides say that the

Queen has been following up on

According to Ministry of

Health sources, a number of ac-

tions were taken following the

Queen's visit to the Fuhais hos-

pital in 1981 and in accordance

with her directives. These mea-

sures included setting up the 200-

bed hospital, sending six resident

physicians on fellowships to Bri-

tain to specialise in psychiatry and preparing a scientific national

programme for training medical

the issue ever since.

ients in the Kingdom.

first national centre for

The detoxification ward was set up on suggestions made by the National Committee for Combating Narcotics which includes various official and private sector representatives. The committee is supported by Queen Noor, His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan and Minister of Health Zaid Hamzeb. The NCMH's other operational units include two sections for male and female psychiatric patients, each with beds, a 25-bed department for children and two other units for mentally disturbed male and

female patients.

The Fuhais local band struck np a tune as Queen Noor cut a hite ribbon to signal the official opening and start of operations at the three-storey national centre. Indicators and studies state that 10 per cent of Jordan's population is in need of some kind of psychiatric health care at one ne or another. Out of this total 30,000 Jordanians are estimated to suffer from schizophrenia or mania an equal number are meuing from ailments resulting from vate sector. social problems and other In a key-note address delivered

sive range of facilities for mental. disturbances, including anxiety. delinquency and depression. The national psychiatric hospit-

al is part of three other institutions working in this field under supervision of the NCMH. The NCMH functions under the umbrella of the Health Ministry and the National Committee for Psychiatric Health Care (NCPHC). The three other NCMH arms are the Al Karameh Hospital for Chronic Mental Disturbances (100 beds), the former Fuhais hospital for psychiatric patients which includes a 50-bed forensic department and a mental retardation section with a 40-bed capacity. There are 12 other specialised psychiatric clinics spread throughout the Kingdom which offer psychiatric bealth services, supervision and care to patients. To date, government-run schemes functioning through the NCMH have allocated 390 beds for the mentally ill. The Armed Forces' Royal Medical Services

treatment of psychiatric patients. The NCPHC, founded in 1985. is responsible for determining the policy of psychiatric health care programmes in Jordan. It groups psychiatrists and psychologists from the Health Ministry, the tally retarded, and 15,000 suffer Royal Medical Services, the Uninew this 10 per cent are citizens suffer
Psychiatrists Society and the pri-

have another 60 beds for the

(Continued on page 4)

# Official outlines UNESCO's

executive steps that are required to start training programmes at the Amman-based regional cen-tre, which was established at the AMMAN (Petra) — The United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UN-ESCO) on Tuesday outlined its The minister added that Jordan development programmes for is about to finalise its comprehen-Arab countries. The organisasive national housing strategy tion's general coordinator in the Arab World Mohammad Kazem which has been drawn up in cooperation with the Human Setpresented the outline during a group meeting held with cultural attaches of Arab embassies to the tlement Centre. A housing pro-

drawn up by the organisation for 1987 and 1988 as well as UN-ESCO's long-term plans to improve education, culture and science in Arab states.

Dr. Kazem, who is director of plect consisting of 164 housing units is currently being implemented to accommodate the nomads who lived in caves of the ancient city of Petra.

| Arab embassies to the attaches of Arab embassies to the attaches of Arab embassies to the attaches of Arab embassies to the Arab countries, to bring into effect a special scheme to spread primary education and eradicate illiteracy by the year 2009.

# programmes for Arab World

UNESCO's Amman regional office for education, said that the organisation plans, in cooperation with

### ancient city of Petra. Charity marchers lose ground, slow their pace due to aches and pains

By Najwa Najjar Jordan Times Staff Reporter

AMMAN — Doctors bave advised Vicken Dakessian and Ali Pharaon to rest more and walk less in the coming days of their journey to cross Jordan from the northern border point of Ramtha to Aqaba.

Mrs. Nadia Al Almii, coordinator of the charity march across Jordan, told the Jordan Times that Vicken's leg is infected and he has developed a rash, while Ali's knee has begun to give him some trouble.

Despite their aches and pains "Vicken and Air's spirits are high and they are determined to finish the 420 kilometre walk," Mrs. Ahni said.

Beginning an hour later than their usual 7:00 a.m. start, Vicken and Ali vesterday passed through the village of Al Husminch, to Shobak bridge and

way they were accompanied by members of Nadi Ma'an. They seventh day of their trip, bringing the total distance lost over the past three days to 24 kilometres. They will walk the 'lost' kilometres on the last day of the march, scheduled to end in Aqaba on April 10.

the Care of Neurological Patients in an original way and said he kers and raise money for the would do this by walking from the society. furthest point north to the furthest point south, "an unattempted feat in Jordan."

Vicken who has a masters in chemical engineering from the gical patients at the Palestine.

University of Salford in England Hospital in Amman.

onto the Desert Highway. On the was joined by Ali, a mechanical eagineering graduate from the University of Arlington, Texas, however, were not able to reach for the entire distance. Halim Ma'an, their scheduled destina- Abu Rahmeh, who has a masters tion for that night. Vicken and in marketing from the University Ali covered 40 kilometres on the of Arizona, is walking with Vicken and Ali for three quarters of

### Public support

Along the way schoolchildren, college and university students, The walk began in Ramtha on employees, employers, villagers April Fool's Day. The initiator of and famers have kept the walkers the idea, Vicken, said he wanted to raise money for the Society for leg, close to a 1,000 individuals were present to support the wal-

The walk, which will last 10 days, hopes to raise JD 50,000 for the purpose of establishing a charity fund for needy neurolobehind dismissal of 32 staffers Sandi national, the decision was taken after a special committee was established to assess the staff

AMMAN — The Arab Organisation for Administrative Sciences have to be dismissed. (AOAS), an affiliate of the Arab.

League, has dismissed nearly half

Cess was done without regard to shocking and irresponsible." The 17-year-old organisation

took the decision on Thursday, after a special committee was established to look into "the status of employees." The 32 employees who were

laid-off were given the dismissal notice on Saturday, effective

ser Sayegh told the Jordan
Times that he had no choice but to dismiss the employees in column and the sacked employees in column. to dismiss the employees in order for the organisation to survive. The organisation is financed by contributions from Arab states. "We had to choose between according to her account, following the organisation's last council conference two weeks ago tion," Mr. Sayegh said. "If I during which Mr. Sayegh was hadn't done that," be added. "I re-elected as director general wouldn't have been able to the same of the council conference two weeks ago — during which Mr. Sayegh was re-elected as director general wouldn't have been able to the council conference two weeks ago — during which Mr. Sayegh was re-elected as director general wouldn't have been able to function or cutting the lowing the organisation's last council conference two weeks ago — during which Mr. Sayegh was re-elected as director general wouldn't have been able to the council conference two weeks ago — during which Mr. Sayegh was re-elected as director general wouldn't have been able to the council conference two weeks ago — during which Mr. Sayegh was re-elected as director general wouldn't have been able to the council conference two weeks ago — during which Mr. Sayegh was re-elected as director general wouldn't have been able to the council conference two weeks ago — during which Mr. Sayegh was re-elected as director general wouldn't have been able to the council conference two weeks ago — during which Mr. Sayegh was re-elected as director general wouldn't have been able to the council conference two weeks ago — during which Mr. Sayegh was re-elected as director general wouldn't have been able to the council conference two weeks ago — during the council confere salaries to my staff for two

Mr. Sayegh said that be opted to dismiss the 32 employees white solve the problem. Then all of a the organisation was still able to afford severance pay and pay-ments for leave which had not any grounds," she said. "The been taken. "Had we waited any irony," she continued. "is that it longer, they would have been laid-off without their dues, including social security." Mi. Sayegh said that of all

Arab league member states, only Jordan and Saudi Arabia have fulfilled their financial commitments to the organisation this year. "So far, we have received only 15 per cent of the pledges."

The organisation's staff is

bound by special labour regulations different from those in Jordan or other league member ing such financial problems the Jordan Times they had filed a protest regarding their case with the Audit Bureau here.

and determine those who would

of its staff citing financial troubles. The affected employees de- added, however, that the orgascribed the decision as "arbitrary, nisation did not dismiss any of the staff appointed by member states.
"We only dismissed those who were contracted by us here," be

The organisation, he added, took other measures including reducing expenditure and urging Arab states to fulfill their financial commitments. These steps were taken to enhance the orga-

One of the sacked employees told the Jordan Times that the lems only this week?" she asked. had some financial problems."

"Two days later, a committee was established to discuss ways to sudden we found ourselves on the street. This cannot be justified on was done by the very organisation which was established to promote excellent managerial practices m the Arab World."

### 'Costiy conference'

Criticising the organisation's management, another employee interviewed by the Jordan Times blamed the erganisation's spending policies which he described as "irresponsible." "I think any organisation hav-

states. Laid-off employees told should have refrained from excessive and unnecessary spending," the employee said. He was referring to an international confer-According to Mr. Sayegh, a ence convened by the organisa-

tion in September of last year which be alleged cost the organisation nealry \$600,000. "This was unnecessary. We could have managed without it," be said, contending that the AOAS allocates in its annual budget about \$500,000 for airplane tickets for conference participants and other travel purposes.

He also mentioned the publication of a book combining the working papers of that conference which he claimed had cost \$85,000. He further contended that Mr. Sayegh bad employed at least two people in administrative positions as late as last

November. In his interview with the Jordan Times, Mr. Sayegh declined to release figures on the organisation's spending or budget. Later attempts for a comment from Mr. Sayegh on Tuesday were also

Most of those laid off are Jordanian nationals with the exception of two Lebanese, one Sudanese, one Iraqi and one Moroccan. It is estimated that the organisation's original staff of nearly 68 used to take about \$75,000 a month, according to a member of the organisation's

Contacted by the Jordan Times, the Foreign Ministry's head of bilateral relations and political affairs ambassador Yassin Istanbulli said the ministry was "not directly concerned with the incident." He explained that the move by the AOAS "was not coordinated with the ministry," adding that 'we are only concerued with the diplomatic aspects of Arab organisations and not technical and administrative

Mr. Awni Khasawneh, head of the legal department at the minis-try, said that his department was not officially contacted regarding

the matter. The AOAS, established in. 1969 by an Arab League resolution, moved its beadquarters from Cairo to Amman following Eyypt's Camp David peace treaty

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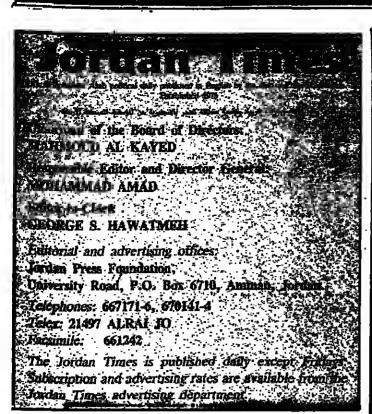
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## **Targeting Palestinians**

AS THE U.S. government plans to deport seven Palestinians accused of belonging to the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), including a Kenyan-born wife of one of them, we witness once again people 'living in the land of freedom" harassed because of their origin and beliefs. Being an Arab in the U.S., a Palestinian in particular, has become practically a crime. Some Americans, spurred by a relentless drive to distort the Arabs' image, have made it appear that all Arabs are "terrorists" and pose a potential threat to the internal security of the U.S.

The deportation of these alleged criminals is not for any terrorist activity they did or plan to do. The U.S. government wants them out of the country because of their membership of a Palestinian guerrilla group and for distributing this group's literature which "advocates world communism." How their activities pose a threat to U.S. security remains a mystery.

A lengthy FBI investigation failed to turn up the slightest bit of evidence of any unlawful activity on the part of these people, and they have only been charged on technical violations of immigration laws. However, the U.S. administration has been using the provisions of the Immigration and Naturalisation Act of 1952 to justify its actions. The act, also known as the McCarran Walter Act, was enacted at the height of the anti-communism hysteria during the McCarthy era. It enables the government to deport immigrants, suspected of or advocating views labelled as communist, for seeking to overthrow the

Even some Americans, as noted in a Los Angeles Times editorial on April 2; have objected to these arrests on the grounds that they violate the first and fifth amendments to the U.S. constitution.

Palestinians in the U.S. and many Arah Americans are involved in non-violent activities to air their beliefs and their need for an identity. Apparently, some people in the U.S. administration have decided to target individuals supporting Palestinian rights or challenging American policy in the Middle East, charging them with terrorism, Last October, Arab-American Anti-Discrimination Committee (ADC) activist Alex Odeh was murdered. Many others, Arab or otherwise, supporting Palestinian rights, from California to Massachussetts, have become targets for slander and abuse. Harassing people of Arab origin or supporting Arab causes will not stop the Palestinian people from asking for their rights. The arrest of these nine individuals has only meant that the U.S. administration has once again kowtowed to those organisations waging a campaign against the Arabs in general, and Palesti-

### ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

### Al Ra'i: Prince advocates reforms

PRINCE Hassan Monday called on educationalists to lay down a clear and integrated concept of an educational policy in Jordan, and stressed that this concept is the country's means to deal with the basic challenges that confront us and that have confronted us over the past two decades. After reviewing the process of education in the Kingdom over the past 30 years, Prince Hassan underlined the need for directing our attention towards quality rather than quantity in education, so that we can handle the economic circumstances in the coming stage and effectively employ manpower at our disposal. Prince Hassan was speaking in the course of his tour of different regions of the Kingdom, in further demonstration of the Jordanian leadership's concern over care that should be given to citizens and their needs, providing for their education and training so that can be useful for their nation. A close study of Jordan's educational process can reveal the fact that this country has made large strides in educating its citizens; but one indeed should not be satisfied with what has been achieved, and should rather seek better quality and seek solutions for problems that the country now confronts. Prince Hassan's tours and his meetings with educationalists in Jordan are aimed at raising the educational level in the country to new heights. capable of providing a better tool for national development and

Al Dustour: King continues peace tour KING Hussein is now on the third leg of his four nation tour, trying to secure greater support for the proposed international conference on the Middle East. The King's talks in Europe are essential in this endeavour specially after European nations have voiced support for the conference. The first positive outcome of the King's current tour in Europe came from Belgium's foreign minister in which he reiterated the European stand vis-a-vis the Arab-Israeli conflict. following a two day meeting by European Community countries foreign Ministers. The statement coincided with a declaration by the Arab League following its council's meeting in Tunis in which Arab foreign ministers urged Arah countries to convene an Arah summit meeting and an international Middle East conference. As the King is spearheading efforts for convening the international conference, Prime Minister Zaid Rifai is holding talks in the United States with American administration officials to persuade them to the need for holding the proposed international conference. Belgium's Foreign Minister Leo Tindemans has announced his intention of touring Middle Eastern countries before the end of this month, in a further manifestation of Europe's deep concern over ending the Arab-Israeli conflict and achieving peace. All these activities point to one direction: That the international conference will eventually be held regardless of present obstacles laid in its path by the United States

Sawt Al Shaab: League calls for summit The Arab League Monday issued a statement which expressed Arab countries support for convening an international conference and efforts being made for holding an Arah summit meeting to secure a consensus on a joint Arab action. The Arab foreign ministers who reached the resolutions at a meeting in Tunis have no doubt benefited from the present favourable international situation. Europe's support for the proposed conference and King Hussein's successful efforts to muster as much backing as possible for the conference. The Arab League's statement showed that the Arab countries have based their resolution on similar ones taken at the Islamic summit in Kuwait, the Brussels declaration and the earlier statements of the Non-aligned Movement. For the first time the Arab League openly condemned Iran's aggression on Taq and voiced concern over the navigation safety in the Gulf region.

## Fresh sparks in the Aegean powder kegs

There is age-old hostility between Greece and Turkey over boundaries and possession of more than 3,000 islands in the Aegean Sea. Warlike gestures in the past week or so are explained by Robert Mauthner, recently in the area.

THE clash between Greece and Turkey over oil-drilling rights in the Aegean, which recently led of a series of long-standing territorial disagreements which have their roots in the break-up of the Ottoman empire.

A tense political climate, fuelled by the Turkish invasion of Cyprus in 1974, the unilateral declaration of the self-styled Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus in 1983 and Greece's firm opposition to Turkey's declared intention to become a member of the European Community, has undermined any attempts to find agreed solutions.

The legal and technical arguments deployed by both sides have merely become pretexts for fostering a permanent atmos-phere of hostility which can be transformed into a conflagration by the merest spark.

Quite apart from the arguments about the continental shelf and territorial waters, Ankara and Athens are locked into constant disputes over air spaces and the militarisation of Greek islands in the Aegean.

When one quarrel is temporarily defused, it is transferred to another issue, making it clear that only a fundamental solution of the major bilateral political problems such as Cyprus can hope to bring any permanent improvement in the atmosphere.

The discovery of oil in the Aegean since the 1970s has added yet another dimension to the

The immediate cause of the latest flare-up is a difference over the validity of the Berne Agreement of 1976, which was concluded by the two countries as a way of putting an end to a previous conflict over oil exploration

The Berne Agreement clearly states that "Athens and Ankara undertake to abstain from any the two countries to the brink of imitiative or act relating to the military conflict, is only the latest continental shelf of the Aegean Sea which might prejudice negotiations.

Such discussions on the delimitation of the continental shelf did start but were broken off in 1981 - by the Turks, according to Athens, by Mr. Andreas Papandreou, the Greek prime minister, after the election of his Socialist government in the same year, according to Ankara. As a result, say the Greeks, the Berne Agreement is no longer opera-

This interpretation has been used by the Greeks as a justification for their resumption of oildrilling and exploration in the north Aegean in what they consider to be their own territorial waters and on their own contimental shelf

The North Aegean Petroleum Company (NAPC), a Canadianled international consortium, has been producing about 27,000 barrels a day, most of it sold to the Greek state, from the Prinos oilfield, west of Thassos, off the northern Greek coast.

Its plans to prospect east of the same island, nearer the Turkish coast, set off a series of events which, typically, were interpreted completely differently by Athens and Ankara.

The Greek government, claiming it was concerned about the company's activities in such a sensitive region for Greek-Turkish relations, over which it wanted to have a veto, tabled a bill which would give it a majority stake in NAPC.

The Turks, on the other hand, saw the move as an escalation of the dispute over drilling rights because nationalisation would give the company the official



backing of the Greek government for its activities.

Not unnaturally, the compa also protested vigorously and said it would go ahead regardless with its planned drilling east of

It' was persuaded to change its mind only after the sabre-rattling and the despatch to the area of the Turkish oil research vessel Sismik-1, escorted by an impressive array of warships.

key's deeply-felt dissatisfaction with the existing situation — the result of its defeat in World War I - in which it is hemmed in by a long line of Greek islands just off

Greece claims that the estimated 3,000 islands of the Aegean, all but a small handful of which are Greek, have their own continental shelves and that this is enshrined in the Geneva convention of 1958 and the Law of

The Greeks also claim that they are entitled by international law to extend their territorial limits from six to 12 miles, but have not, so far, attempted to apply this rule.

Ankara refuses to accept that the islands near its coast have their own continental shelf and have not signed the international conventions which Athens has invoked in support of its claims. Recourse to the International Court in The Hague, as the

Greeks have proposed, has been rejected by Ankara because of disagreement over the legal basis on which the submission should be made.

It seems highly unlikely, in any case, that a purely legal judgment could satisfactorily solve what is essentially a highly-complicated political problem between two countries which have never been able to overcome their age-old hostility - Financial Times fea-

# Autonomy offer ends rebellion of Nicaraguan

By Andrew Selsky The Associated Press

PUERTO CABEZAS, Nicaragua - An Amnesty and offer of limited autonomy by the leftist Sandinista government has broken the rebellion by Nicaraguan Miskito, Suma and Rama Indian rebels who have been fighting alongside the contras. Every month, dozens of Indi-

ans abandon the rebel ranks, with many going back to their ancestral villages, according to residents.

Some return because they miss their homes, while others don't see a future in the contra fight. Some say that many of the causes that led them to rebel against the ture. Sandinistas in the first place are

port and trading centre 386 kilometres northeast of Man-

At the height of the rebellion, residents say, Sandinista army trucks regularly brought in from the surrounding jungle the bodies of government soldiers killed fighting the Indians in the area.

Now, some of these same Indi-

waistbands, confidently walk the nnpaved streets exchanging greetings with government soldiers strolling by. Under the 1985 general amnes-

ty law, the former rebels are allowed to keep their weapons and are permitted to join the local Sandinista militia, a paramilitary corps that helps the regular army fight the contras, the name given to the rebels.

A 15-page draft law proposes setting up a regional government for the 180,000 Indians, Blacks and Creoles who have traditionally inhabited a 75-mile strip along Nicaragua's Atlantic scaboard, known as the Misquito coast, complete with a regional legisla-

The area has been isolated by disappearing.

The change is most visible in turies. The culture of the Atlantic coast, where English and Indian dialects are the main languages and Protestantism the main religion, has always been separate from Spanish-speaking, Catholic, Western Nicaragua.

The proposed law empowers the regional government to levy taxes and take measures to preserve ethnic cultures but very little else. Economic and political ans, pistols tucked into their policy, defence and law enforcement will continue to be handled by the central government in Managua, the Nicaraguan

No law is still being discussed by the national assembly and no date has been given for its imple-

ning.
The Mosquitia coast, as the Atlantic region is called, used to stretch halfway into neighbouring Honduras. It was discovered by the British in the 17th century, who set up a local king to rule the

Although many traditionally went to Managua to work in tourist spots where their knowledge of English was an advantage, successive Nicaraguan governments had left the Mosquitia

The Indians, in turn, mostly ignored the central government. They also ignored the Sandinista revolution that in 1979 overthrew President Anastasio Somoza, a rightist pro-U.S. dictator whose family had ruled Nicaragua for 42

Although not very happy with it, the Indians of the region consider the autonomy plan a begin-

Britain lost the northern part to Honduras in 1860 and ceded the southern part to Nicaragua in 1895. Currently, the region's population is made up of Misquito, Sumo and Rama Indians, Blacks who fled from slavery on the Caribbean islands offshore, and "Mestizos" or people of mixed race. .

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ing their policy towards the Misquito coast and in 1985 Interior

The Indians rebelled in 1981 against efforts by the new Sandi-

nista government to impose Mar-xist neighbourhood defence committee and other regimentation. The elders complained the new policy was undermining their traditional authority.

The Sandinista government, considering the Indians a threat to national security, forcibly resettled thousands of them in "relocation camps" inland. Thousands more fled to join the Many of those who fled north

into Honduras formed Kisan, an

organisation which at one time had an estimated 2,500 armed men fighting alongside the Nicaraguan Democratic Force, the biggest contra fighting group.

Those who fled south formed Misursata, another organisation with an estimated 500 fighters that worked with Arde, a smaller

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contra group with secret bases in Costa Rica. The Sandinistas began revers-

Minister Tomas Borge publicly admitted the government had committed "a grievous error." Misursata has gradually disappeared and Kisan is said to be down to about 500 men. Neither

group has responded to the new autonomy plan. Revnaldo Reyes, a Miskito Indian, is one of those who has returned. Until October, 1985, he was a Kisan intelligence officer.

Now, be said in a recent interview, he is prepared to fight the rebels to defend the autonomy plan, which he calls the only hope for Nicaragua's Indians. "I'm asking my former com-panions to put down their arms and instead to use their brains to discuss the autonomy proposal.

Autonomy is the only way that peace can come to the Atlantic coast," he said. Although he says the proposed

autonomy isn't very extensive, Reves claims the Sandinistas have "good intentions" towards the region.

"A Sandinista autonomy would be better than what we Indians of the coast have had for centuries; he said. "Before, we were always forgotten and brushed aside by previous governments."

Noting that many Indian tribes in the Americas have been annihilated or have lost their cultribes of the Misquito coast will be assured by law of retaining

theirs is a milestone in itself. "Millions of Indian eyesaround the world will be watching us, to see how effective our autonomy will be," he said.

Reyes said Kisan for peace, made up of foreser rebels allied with the Saudinistas, about 500 armed men who passed

the jungle, piney woods and swamplands of the region. Dorotea Wilson, a Mack Sansinista and a leader in the region, said the government encourages defecting Kisan fighters to keep their weapons, and will continue to do so after the autonomy statute is signed.

"We do not want them to turn in their arms after the statute becomes law," she said. "We want them to defend their rights. They are indigenous militia."

## King heads for talks with Thatcher

(Continued from page 1) about the Syrian position." Mr. Tindemans told journalists.

He added it was clear there could be no conference without Syria since Israel's occupation of the Golan Heights would be discussed, and "contacts were im-perative." Mr. Tindemans said his plan-

ned visit on behalf of the EC to Jordan, Egypt, Saudi Arabia and Israel, announced last weekend, was a "first step" and implied a visit to Damascus was possible

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Mr. Murphy said the Reagan

administration would pursue a

peace agreement during its last 20

months in office and was not

interested in preserving the status

quo until the next president took

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Palestinian sources told. Reu-

ters the prisoners were on a self-

imposed water and salt diet to

protest against deteriorating con-

ditions after new prison services

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Lawyers and supporters of the

"The administration doesn't

accept the next two years as a American tidying-up period," Mr. Murphy Lebanon.

Violent protests rock W.Bank

office in 1989.

evolve and then the Belgian presidency (of the EC) will have to make up its mind," he said.

EC foreign ministers backed the idea of an international peace conference last February and Mr. Tindemans said King Hussein saw a role for the community in helping remove remaining difficulties standing in the way of the

"Syria was mentioned in this context," he said. Rifai and Masri continue U.S talks

years a very quiet but steady

He said he was encouraged by

his Middle East trip in January,

which included talks in Israel and

Mr. Murphy also said he was convinced Syria was doing all it

could to obtain the release of

American hostages held in

prisoners say they are often beaten, tear-gassed and stripped

Periodic strikes are held by

Arab prisoners to demand better

food and less overcrowding in

cells where most inmates sleep on

mattresses unrolled on floors at

night because of lack of space for

naked for searches.

pursuit of the peace process."

On Palestinian representation "We must see now how things at the conference Mr. Tindemans quoted King Hussein as saying the problem was for the Arabs to solve themselves.

The King told a group of Dutch editors on Tuesday that he was confident the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) would take part fully as a representative of the Palestinian people.

The King said he was 'full of

hope" that a conference grouping all parties in the Middle East conflict would be a success.

### Regent visits said. "We've had for the past two Zarqa basin

(Continued from page 1) overcome these obstacles hy exploring means and ways for proper solutions.

Earlier, Prince Hassan headed a meeting at Baqa'a for the Ministry of Agriculture's projects department. Minister of Agriculture Mar-

wan Al Hmoud, Minister of Lahour and Social Development Khaled Haj Hassan, Minister of Public Works Mahmoud Al Hawamdeh and Minister of Interior Rajai Dajani attended the meeting.

During the meeting, Adnan Arafat, head of the Agriculture Projects Department, outlined the department's work and allocation of funds included in the 1986-90 five-year development

during the opening ceremony, Dr. Hamzeh expressed apprecia-tion to the Queen for patronising the inauguration of the centre and for her ongoing support to further develop the Kingdom's health services.
"This new centre is an actual

response to an urgent need. It is a hospital where all our national efforts will collaborate to offer help to all citizens who need psychiatric care as well as providing treatment and rehabilitation for drug addicts," the minister

The hospital's director, Dr. Ihsan Ra'fat, said the centre represented a "landmark for the development of psychiatric health care in the East Bank of Jordan." Dr. Ra'fat was referring to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank, when the psychiatric hospital in Bethlehem could no longer provide treatment for residents of Jordan's East Bank. Fol-

lowing the 1967 Arab-Israeli war, the Fuhais hospital was set up. Psychiatric health care, he said. was part of the primary health care programmes. "We look forward to spreading these services to all people throughout the Kingdom. The national hospital and the national committee are at a starting point to achieve a local scheme for psychiatric care under which officials and citizens will join hands," said Dr. Ra'fat, who has been working in this field for the past 14 years.

Queen Noor later toured the

hospital's various wards, the three specialised clinics, the laboratory and the units for the treatment of patients through medicine, electrolosis, individual and group therapy, conduct rehabilitation, and vocational and

training workshops.

Following the tour, Queen Noor chaired a closed meeting to assess the centre's preliminary performance, the problems facing

it and appropriate solutions.

In order to overcome a shortage in the number of specialised doctors and psychiatric nurses. the meeting suggested cooperating with concerned international organisations and foreign countries in areas related to training

At the same time, two of the six resident doctors who were sent abroad by the centre for specialisation will be returning in August and September after completing specialised programmes in

In order for the hospital to meet the needs of a full-occupancy, a rough estimate of 30 specialised doctors, 6 psychologists and 40 psychiatry nurses are needed. At present, 16 psychiatrists and 14 resident physicians are working there in addition to 12 registered nurses and 56 auxiliary nurses who are getting in-house training.

However, with the centre's training courses for both doctors and nurses specialising in psychiatry, the problem of such a shortage is expected to be solved

Queen opens mental health centre in the coming two to four years. The gathering also focused in means to raise the country's awareness about the centre's services, which are free of charge to all needy patients, and the role of the community in spreading awareness and helping psychiatric

> Queen Noer suggested the formation of a friends of the NCMH society to gather informa-tion and assist in creating an environment that is conducive to recovery and rehabilitation. The meeting also stressed the importance of maintaining a strong link between treatment, care and rehabilitation inside psychiatric hospitals.

Asked to elaborate on the attivities of the centre's detexisiontion ward, Dr. Ra'fat told the Jordan Times that "drug addiction can be treated and stopped provided the user is totally convinced of the necessity to do so." At present, there are two male

addicts receiving treatment at the mait. Names of the patients are withheld and they remain inside the ward for a period ranging between 4 to 6 weeks, after which they discharged. Later they are hept at a schabilitation following for each case. "(A course, all services are free of charge and include periodical visits to the patient's parents, who should be notified about the latest devalopments regarding their son ex. daughter," said Dr. Ra'sat.

# Health project for elderly Palestinian refugees in Jordan emphasises traditional family role

UNRWA feature

UNRWA's Health Department is backing a plan to improve the quality of life for elderly Palestine refugees, one third of whom have spent nearly 40 years in camps. waiting for a solution to the

Under the plan, refngees in Jordan will be helped and encouraged to remain active and healthy throughout old age. But the family will remain at the centre of all efforts to assist them.

A project to aid the growing number of older refugees has been drawn up by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East (UNRWA) with the backing of the World Health Organisation and Help Age International.

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Dr. Fathi Monsa, senior medical officer for planning and statis-tics at UNRWA is "very optimis-tie" that it will go ahead. He was part of a team of UNRWA and WHO officers and advisers who visited Jordan to investigate the needs of older refugees.

If the project gets underway and proves successful, it could be extended to the other fields in which UNRWA operates: Lebanon, Syrian Arab Republic, the Gaza Strip and the West Bank.

### Family is focal point

"The main emphasis is on the role of the family as the focal point of care for the elderly. The mission was completely against institutionalised care," said Dr.

establishment of preventive programmes aiming at maintaining the well-being of physically active elderly and promotion of family care provided to the disabled

"We want to lonk after those elderly with serious health and social problems hut who are mobile and can be helped with the assistance of others.'

UNRWA's health department already provides basic health care for all refugees, young and old. The project is designed to give extra attention to the elderly. It envisages special training for volunteers, family members and social workers in care for the elderly and the setting up of a collection point for aids such as spectacles, hearing aids and wheel chairs.

Once funds have been raised, preliminary work can start possibly this year, allowing the project to get underway properly

### Almost 8% over 60

Statistics released by UNRWA show how much such a plan is needed: In 1986, 145,279 refugees or 7.7 per cent of the total Palestine refugee population of 2.1 million were aged over 60. In Jordan 8.1 per cent of refugees — 67,620 out of a population of 826,128 — were over the age of

Dr. Mousa said the agency would continue to give priority to the provision of primary health care — particularly for the highrisk groups comprising children, pregnant women and nursing

cessfully controlling infectious diseases — and if the money was made available — could afford to give more attention to non-communicable diseases.

These include heart disease, diabetes and conditions such as hypertension which are found amongst the elderly.

"What is needed is a combination of health care, social and recreational activities for the elderly so that they can be as productive as possible and not frustrated," said Dr. Mousa.

"One recommendation made by the team that went to Jordan is that old people could be producing something — such as tradi-tional dresses — which could help preserve the local culture.

The idea is to keep them mobile, productive and not feeling isolated or unwanted in the munity or in their families."

### Psychological strain

Dr. Mousa said the health problems of old people in the refugee community were similar to those suffered by old people worldwide. "But there is an extra psychological strain relating to their feeling that they were expelled from their homes. This feeling is very strong amongst the elderly because most of them used to work as farmers so they were very much tied to the land."

The older refugees do, however. have one advantage over many old people in the West: "Generally they are treated well because the social structure in the Arab community gives high respect to the elderly," said Dr. Mousa.

Jordan highlighted the plight of older women refugees who, by tradition, are largely restricted to their homes. The mission called for a thorough investigation of this problem.

Other measures called for by the mission were:

More research into the situation of elderly refugees; the setting up of a Disabled Aids Bank for the elderly at Baqa'a Camp, Jordan; training of community nurses in subjects such as geriatrie rehabilitation, incontinence and dementia; intensive training workshops for both professionals and volunteers who care for the elderly and the establishment of a volunteer programme to help old

### Long-term plan

The mission recommended a long-term plan including recreational activities and more professional services for the elderly. Families caring for old people should be given a short break occasionally while their elderly relatives were looked after by substitute carers.

Existing camp health centres could allocate properly trained staff at specific times to attend to the older generation. A programme to advise and support families caring for older people was re-

Finally, the team sent to Jordan stressed that in all these activities, the wishes of the old people themselves should be taken into consideration. In the mission were:

Professor Gary Andrews, Flinders University of South Australia, consultant for the WHO East-Dr. Mousa.

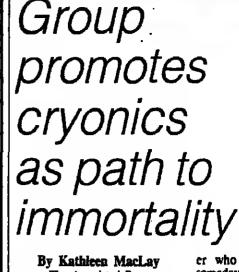
ern Mediterranean Regional Office; Dr. Hana Hermanova, Regional Officer for Elderly, Disability and Rehabilitation, in the WHO Regional Office for Europe; Mr. Ken Tout, WHO temporary adviser, International

Development Coordinator, Help Age International, London, and

They were joined in Jordan by

An elderly woman refugee living in Baqa'a camp (UNRWA photo)

Dr. Kh. Azzam, UNRWA Field Health Officer for Jordan, and by Professor Omar Jibrin, WHO temporary advisor, Department of Psychology, University of



The Associated Press

OAKLAND, California - For Art Quaife and the other members of the American Cryonics Society, freezing hodies and brains is a logical and alluring step toward immortality.
"Our people don't die," Quaife

said matter-of-factly in an interview at the spartan Trans-Time warehouse in West Oakland.

That's where two human bodies, two heads, one brain, a dog and a cat are "on ice" in cryonic suspension inside shiny stainless steel containers resembling giant silver thermos bottles. They've been frozen with the hope of being thawed out sometime in the next couple of centur-

ies and restored to ife. "It's hard to imagine why anyone would prefer death to the prospect of immortality," said Quaife, who works at the ware-

house. Cryonics, taken from the Greek word kryos — to freeze is the low-temperature preservation of human bodies after they've been declared dead. Advocates include 150 members of the San Francisco-based American cryonics society, begun in 1969 as the Bay Area Cryonics Society. Their average age is 39. About 70 have arranged to be frozen when they die.

Among them is Dr. Paul Segall, a research physiologist and biologist at the University of California-Berkeley and Trans-Time secretary-treasurer. He be-lieves cryobiology offers exciting possibilities for bloodless surgery, cancer therapy and organ transplants. One example he cited was a child who needs a liver transplant, but has no donor. The child could be frozen, then warmed up for a transplant when

a liver has been found. "These are the practical spinoffs of cryonics research today, and they're important," he said, predicting its most important future application will be in space

"If you're off in the astrobelt the medical centre," Segall said. He sees a space colonist being frozen for weeks or months until crews can bring him hack to a

Several kinds of frogs were discovered recently that can tolerate up to four or five months with their bodies frozen solid, thanks in part to their production of glycerol and other cryoprotective substances. Segall said scientists eventually could duplicate this in humans. He and his associates so far have managed to remove the blood from hamsters

and freeze them up to two hours

before reviving them. "People should not try to fight t," said Jackson Zinn, the society's president and attorney.
"We're going down that road and it's inevitable. It's just a matter of working ont the hugs (flaws)." Richard Marsh is retired San

Francisco State University English and broadcasting professor. He's also a 74-year-old marathon-

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er who believes cryonics will someday revive him in a younger state than he's in now. He discounts arguments that life after

death is unnatural or immoral. "Of course we're playing God. You're playing God when you do a heart transplant. You're playing God when you brush your teeth to prevent tooth decay," he said. Among the bodies and parts

frozen at the Trans-Time warehouse is the brain of 15-year-old Patricia Wilson, beaten in death in 1968.

Her father, science fiction wnter Rubert Wilson, explained why the family decided to have her

brain frozen.
"We feel it is a long shot, but
it's nur way of expressing our belief in life and our rejection of the casual acceptance of murder and death in our society." he

Quaife said efforts to stop an autopsy on the girl failed because state law required medical examination of all homicide victims. We decided that the best thing to do was to preserve her brain and its memories, hoping that at some future date science will find a way to reconstitute a person essentially the same as Patricia

Wilson," he said. Zinn is one of the few society members who has opted for "neurn" rather than whole body freezing. For one thing, it's eheaper.

Quaife has arranged for his freezing through life insurance coverage: "Fifty cents a day for immortality. I like the deal."
The American Cryonics Socie-

ty contracts with Trans-Time to handle the mechanics of freezing people when they die. Quaife said procedures preferably begin at a hospital where the person has

The "patients" are put on a heart-lung resuscitation machine to keep the heart beating and blood circulating. Ice is gradually applied around the body to lower temperature and various chemicals are injected.

Next, the patient is taken to a Trans-Time laboratory where the ood is replaced with a halance salt solution and later with one containing glycerol to minimize tissue damage caused hy freezing. That takes about 12-24 hours, Quaife said.

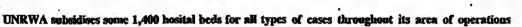
Then it's off to the nondescript little warehouse, where the body will be tucked into a cooling chest that resembles a coffin.

The body is covered with dry ice (frozen carbon dioxide) until it reaches a temperature of minus 320 degrees fahrenheit (-196C). Next it is covered with a foil-type material and put into a bag. Finally, it's put into suspension in a steel tube filled with liquid

nitrogen.
"At that temperature, there's no measurable deterioration for

eons," said Quaife.
"Cryonics Society people don't feel death is the end," says Segall, who has arranged to be frozen, along with his wfe and daughter. "They're not looking forward to going to the happy hunting ground (heaven)."







A refugee couple from Jalazone camp near the occupied city of Jerusalem

# In 'Working Girls,' the prostitutes are strictly middle class

By Dorene Internicola Reuter

NEW YORK - Filmmaker Lizzie Borden became interested in prostitution when she found that several of her friends in the art world were in "the life."

Her new movie, "Working

Girls," suggests that most practitioners of the world's oldest profession are neither high-priced call girls nor street hookers enslaved by pimps and drugs. In fact, that fresh-faced university student who lives next

door may be working as a prostitute to finance her education. "The typical prostitute is more likely to be a student bent on graduate school, or an immigrant waiting for her green card (work permit), or a woman who works

for the phone company and got tired of living in a one-room apartment," said Borden. Borden's real name is Linda but early on people started calling her Lizzie, after the 19th century American axe muderer. "I loved

it," she said, "partly because my parents hated it so much."
"Working Girls," which she wrote, directed and edited, dramatises a day in the life of five prostitutes working in a New York brothel.

The film has opened in New York and starts wider release in major U.S. and Western European cities this mouth.

"The biggest surprise to me was how middle class it was," said Borden, whose research took her to hundreds of brothels.

"It's not all about women being beaten up by pimps, or having to do it because they can't relate to a lover. It's all about money. It's all about a job," she told Reuters in an interview at her spacious Manhattan artist's flat, which also served as the set for her lowbudget movie.

The central character, Molly (Louise Smith), is a composite of the successful middle-class prostitute. Borden found. She is cleancut, college-educated, attractive but not astoundingly beautiful. A photographer, she works for the money to mount a show of her

"Most of the women I came across were 'single-time' prosti-tutes," said the 36-year-old filmmaker. "They do it for a year or two, to meet some economie goal, and then they move on." "Working Girls," the brothel is a large, clean, impersonal New York flat. The clients,

known as "tricks," come and go. Service is cordial, efficient, and surrounded by hygenic rituals. "The women always use condoms. They're not drug users the madams make sure of that," Borden said.

Between sessions, the girls send out for fond, complain about the boss, and gossip about Borden calls these prostitutes nouveau feminist.

"The women control everything - the time, the space, the kind of sex. The men are a little embarrassed to be there. The women poke fun at them, see them as slightly pathetic."

The men in the movie barely make an impression. The prostitutes reduce them to nicknames, like "fantasy Fred."

"It's the guys who are objectified, not the women," said Borden. "Here's a trick. Then he leaves and it's not about him anymore.

The worst problem facing prostitutes, she said, is not ex-

ploitation but detachment. "They have to detach themselves from their bodies. So some won't kiss tricks, others hate a tongue in their ear. Each desig-

nates her private zones." Before filming "Working Girls," Borden made her actresses go for job interviews in actual brothels - although she didn't insist that they accept the jobs.

"They just didn't have the right perception of the part. They'd come to rehearsal in hot pants and net stockings - tacky, tacky,

One actress caught on when a real-life madam rejected her for

chewing gum. Borden wanted Lucy (Ellen McElduff), the fortyish, expen-

"The typical prostitute is more likely to be a student bent on graduate school, or an immigrant waiting for her green card (work permit), or a woman who works for the phone company and got tired of living in a one-room apartment."

sively dressed, insincere madam, to be familiar to any moviegoer who has contended with whims of a difficult boss.

"Seeing how these places run and the very middle-class institu-

tions they parallel fascinated me. I wanted people to say 'My God, I've had a job like this,' and then say, 'My God, that's prostitu-

Borden says she likes "going

to forbidden areas."
Her first film, "Born in Flames," is a fantasy about feminists taking over the world. She hopes to do a film on abor-

A former art critic, Borden taught herself to make movies. renting a camera for \$25 a day. She made this film for only \$300,000. Although she wants to do a studio film, she hates to relinguish control.

"My distributor now controls 'Working Girls,' and it's as if making the film I was the madam and now I'm the prostitute."
"Working Girls" was screened at a prostitute rights group

Coyote (call off your old tired ethics) benefit. "They loved it," Borden said beaming. "The prostitutes langhed and laughed from iden-

tifying with the actresses."
She said "Mayflower Madam" Sidney Biddle Barrows, the socie ty girl who ran a high-class 'escort" service, has sent people "You do a film and you hope it

doesn't misrepresent people. I worried that middle-class prostitution would be irrelevant to street hookers. But, as one honker who saw it said, "Look, honey. Tricks are tricks. The work is the

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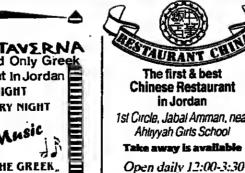
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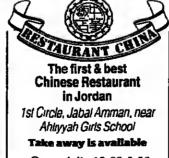
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# Leonard wins middleweight | Cup semifinalist Watford boxing title in historic upset

LAS VEGAS, Nevada (AP) — On a magical night in the desert, Sugar Ray Leonard recaptured some of the greatness many had thought was long gone.

as he did before an eye mjury prompted retirement, shook off three years of inactivity and dethroned Marvelous Marvin Hag-ler as World Boxing Council middleweight champion.

Never mind that it was a split decision that divided ringsiders as well as judges. The victory Monday night capped an astonishing comeback and firmly established Leonard as one of the sport's leading champions.

This fight meant the world to me," Leonard said afterward, obviously exhausted after 12 intense rounds. "I did what I was capable of doing. I knew what I was up against but I heat him to the punch.

Leonard huilt up a big lead in the early rounds, then was able to withstand Hagler's pressing attack in a fight that was boxing's richest ever, attracting 15,366 fans to an outdoor arena at Caesars Palace and several million others who watched on closed-circuit television. Hagler was guaranteed \$12 million, Leonard \$11 million.

It was a fight that showed Leonard close to his vintage best in spurts, but also a fight that many thought Hagler had pulled out by finally slowing Leonard and catching him with some savage combinations in the late

"At the end of the fight he

Leonard, moving and mugging bitterly disappointed Hagler. "I was so happy, then they took it away. It's hard to believe."

Leonard's camp said be merely said he would always consider Hagler a champion.

Only judge Lou Fillippo agreed with Hagler, scoring the fight 115-113, for the champion. Judge Dave Moretti had Leonard ahead 115-113, while judge Jojo Guerra had Leonard winning 118-110. The Associated Press had Hagler ahead 117-112.

For Leonard it was an especially sweet victory in a fight many thought he couldn't win. A 2.5-1 underdog, he rewrote a page of boxing history by beefing up to 158 pounds and coming back after only one fight in five years to win third world title.

"It wasn't the belt I wanted," Leonard insisted. 'It was the fight to beat him. To me, Marvin is still the undisputed middleweight champion."

Leonard, who previous was the undisputed welterweight and WBA junior middleweight champion, is the 10th boxer in history to win three world titles. What made it even more significant is he did it against a dominant middleweight champion who had successfully defended his title 12

Leonard's game plan was nothing that Hagler's camp didn't expect. He made a career based on speed, and even with the from Hagler's relentless

onslanght. Hagier pressed from the outset, but was unable to cut off the ring as Leonard danced one way, then another, always keeping just out of Hagier's reach: Leonard dominated the early rounds, fighting in spurts only when he wanted to and frustrating Hagler in the process. Hagler missed repeatedly with wild punches as Leonard used his quickness to get

Hagler's futility showed best midway through the fifth round when he lunged at Leonard with a left hook that missed badly and turned him completely around and into the ropes. Leonard was there waiting and dashed a quick left-right to Hagler's head before he could get off the ropes.

Hagler, though, was beginning to figure Leonard out. He hurt Leonard late in the fifth round with a right hook and a left uppercut and, as Leonard slowed in the sixth round, Hagler started cutting off the ring and getting to the challenger with strong combinations.

In the seventh round, Leonard, tried to showboat by doing a quick shuffle while taunting Hag-ler. The shuffle wasn't quick enough, however, and ended

Hagier continued applying con-stant pressure and it finally paid off big in the minth round. The champion caught Leonard on the ropes with two strong left hooks, then backed Leonard into his heavier weight, his only real own comer and flailed away.

# goes down to Rangers

LONDON (R) — Watford, fac-Robbie James drilled the ball ing an English Football Association (FA) Cup semifinal against Tottenham on Saturday, looked anything but ready when it went down 3-0 at home to Queen's

Park Rangers in a league match. The problem for Watford was again in goal, where substitute keeper Steve Sherwood was at fault on two of the three which Gary Bannister poached for

Watford's first bome league defeat since Sept. 20 came just two days after Sherwood was beaten four times by Charlton in a 4-3 loss on Saturday. He is standing in for first-string goalkeeper Tony Coton, who has a broken thumb which rules him out of Saturday's clash with Spurs

Sherwood flapped ineffectually at Gavin Peacock's left wing corner after 17 minutes, and when

at Villa Park.

BANGKOK, Thailand (AP) -Soviet boxers won four bouts and Filipino fighters took two as those two teams remained the leaders after the third day of the 13th annual King's Cup Amateur Box-

ing Championships. The Soviets now have 12 victories against one loss, while the Philippines has seven wins and one loss. The weeklong tournament started Saturday.

In the bantamweight division, Papjan Lernik of the Soviet Union stopped Chiang Chong Nan of Taiwan in the second round. In the lightweight division, Soviet Khachatrjan Samson beat Nepal's Rana Dal Bahadur with a back in, Bannister struck from close range. Sherwood was blameless on

Bannister's second goal after a corner, but in injury time he failed to hold Warren Neill's slithering low shot and virtually presented Bannister with his 14th goal of the season on a plate. Sherwood has conceded 13

goals in his four games this Watford had little to encourage it for Saturday. It left out David Bardsley, one of its heroes in the quarter-final win over League

Cup champion Arsenal. John Barnes shot against the QPR post early in the second half. But manager Graham Taylor's problems compounded when Kevin Richardson limped off, joining the absent Kenny Jackett as the main injury worries

### Soviet, Filipino boxers lead Thai tourney

knockout in the second round Also in the lightweight division, Filipino Leopondo Cantancio ontpointed Thai Chadei Moonpanich 3-2.

for Saturday.

Soviet welterweight Ostrowskij Alexsandre ontpointed Thailand's Taweewat Isalam 5-0 and his compatriot, middleweight Zabolotskih Oleg, knocked out Liu Tzu Jung of Taiwan

Countries participating in the event include the Soviet Union, Poland, East Germany, Kenya, South Korea, Anstralia, Japan, Nepal, Pakistan, Norway, Denmark, India, Philippines, Taiwan, Netherlands, Brunei, Singapore and host Thailand.

### **England downs** Pakistan in Sharjah cricket

SHARJAH, United Arab Emirates (AP) — In an upset victory, England defeated an overcombdent Pakistan by five wickets in the fourth match of the Sharjah Cup cricket series Tuesday.

The Pakistanis are the favourites in the four-nation Sharjah tournament which started Thursday with the participation of England, Australia, India and Pakistan. Two more matches will be played before the winner is selected on a league basis, with three games for each

Australia was defeated by both India and Pakistan, while India beat England in the matches played so far

England is playing without outstanding players as Ian Botham and David Gower.

Both the England and Pakistan teams made one change in the match — Imran Khan replaced Ejaz Faqih and Gladstone Small played in the place of Phil Edmonds. England won the toss and put in Pakistan to bat.

After the loss of two quick wickets for only 11 runs, a third wicket partnership: between Rameez Raja and Javed Miandad took Pakistan to 77 runs before Raja was run out.

The fifth wicket partnership of captain Imran Khan and vice captain Javed Miandad was Pakistan's highest contributing 92

Miandad was the highest scorer for Pakistan with 60 runs. The other significant scores in Pakistan's innings 217 for nine were Rameez Raja's 44 and Imran Khan's 46. Ďavid Chappel took three wickets for 38 runs.

## SPORTS IN BRIEF

### Spanish cyclist takes Basque lead

ZARAUZ, Spain (AP) - Spanish rider Manuel Jorge Dominguez led after the first leg of the 27th Tour of the Basque country cycling race. He finished ahead of Belgium's Frank Hoste and Spaniard Enrique Carrera, covering the 198-kilometre (123-mile) distance in four hours, 57 minutes and 18 seconds. The cyclists encountered head winds and three mountain passes during the first leg on Monday. The second leg will be run between Zaranz and Mungnia, a distance of 166 kilometres (103-miles).

### **Becker withdraws from WCT tourney**

DALLAS (AP) — World Championship Tennis officials say top-seeded Boris Becker withdrew Tuesday from the 1987 tournament because of a stomach virus and alternate Kevin Curren replaced the West German in the draw. WCT Executive Director Owen Williams said he had not talked to Becker or his manager, Ion Tiriac, directly. But he told the Dallas Times Herald he was informed by the men's pro council Tuesday that Becker had withdrawn and will provide a medical certificate on his condition. Second-seeded Stefan Edberg, who plays eighth-seeded Tim Mayotte to open the finals, becomes the top seed, officials said.

### Czech athlete seeks political asylum

WASHINGTON (AP) — A Czech jumper missing since last month's World Indoor Track and Field Championships has defected and is seeking political asylum in the Chicago area, an immigration spokesman said. Jan Cado was reported missing by Czech officials when the team returned from the track event in Indianapolis. A.D. Moyer, the Chicago district director for the Immigration and Naturalisation Service, will consider Cado's request for political asylum, said INS spokesman Verne Jervis The Indianapolis news quoted unnamed sources as saying that Cado, 24, asked an American he hard met at the competition to help him defect. The American drove Cado to the home of a local government official, one source said.

### Clemens rejoins Boston club

NEW YORK (R) - Boston Red Sox pitching ace Roger Clemens has rejoined the American League championship team after a 29-day protest over his salary for the 1987 major league baseball season. A Red Sox spokesman said Clemens, 24, who won 24 games and lost just four last year in his second full season while helping the team to its first league title in 11 years, returned to the Red Sox training camp in Florida on Saturday. The spokesman said it was not known when Clemens, a right-hander, would pitch his first game of the season. He said Clemens, who left camp on March 6 when negotiations on a new contract broke down, would play under the terms of his previous agreement while his agent and Red Sox General Manager Lou Gorman "work out a contract that is suitable."

### Elton John to keep Watford

WATFORD, England (AP) - Rock music star Elton John plans to keep his controlling interest in the Watford soccer club, a spokeswoman said Tuesday. Sharon O'Connor, press officer for Rocket Records, said John remained "football crazy" and denied reports that he planned to get rid of his £3.5 million (\$5.6 million) stake in the First Division Club. Several London-based national tabloids said Tuesday that the millionaire singer, who has been dogged by personal problems, was to sell his controlling interest to another Watford fan. But O'Connor called the reports "a load of old rubbish." "Football is his second passion to music," she said. "Whenever he goes on tour he spends a fortune ringing in and watching the games.'

### Liedholm replaced as Milan coach

MILAN, Italy (R) — Nils Liedholm, the Swedish coach who guided AC Milan to the Italian First Division soccer title in 1979, has been replaced by his former deputy Fabio Capello. Liedholm, whose links with AC Milan go baputy to his arrival as a star player in 1949, here here made to be seen as a star player in 1949, has been made technical manager, the club said in a statement Tuesday. Capello will take charge of the team for the remaining five weeks of the Italian League season. The changes mean Liedholm, 64, will no longer sit on the Milan bench, club sources said. Liedholm was idolised when he played for Milan following his move to Italy. He became known as "Il Conte" (the count) for his clever midfield play and won four championship medals during his Italian playing career from 1949 to 1961.

### Europe's big soccer guns prepare for cup competitions semifinals Porto suffered a morale-shak-

LONDON (AP) - Europe's three big club soccer competitions reach the semifinal stage Wednesday night, with some famous names in action and one match generating particularly keen interest.

The Champions Cup clash between Bayern Munich and Real Madrid brings together two of Europe's soccer institutions, each with a history of success that has reaped countless trophies over the past two decades

Real has won the Champions Cup, the premier European club

Yet it has been 12 years since either team has managed to put its name back on the illustrious trophy, dominated in that time by

English clubs. With the English still banned by UEFA in the wake of the 1985 Heysel Stadium riots, Bayern and Real are ready to make up for lost opportunities.

Yet only one of them can make next month's final in Vicana. Both teams go into the game at the top of their respective nation-

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tournament, six times. Bayern al leagues. Bayern heads the has won it on three occasions. Bundesliga in West Germany by three points while Real is a point ahead of rival Barcelona in Spain.

Few visiting teams to Real's intimidating Bernabeu Stadium manage to come away unscathed and the Spaniards again have the advantage of playing the second leg at home.

> which thrashed Bayern, another top European team, Anderlecht of Belgium, 5-0 in the first leg of their quarterfinal, will be looking for another healthy lead to take to Spain in two

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Udo Lattek, Bayern's manager, has no injury problems but was undecided Wednesday whether to field Danish striker Lars Lunde or Roland Wohl-

Lunde has finally started scoring goals in the Bundesliga and has two in the last two games. But Wohlfarth has 10 in 15 European Cup matches and may clinch the second place in attack alongside

veteran Dieter Hoeness. "Real can be beaten, we have a real chance of reaching the final in Vienna," Lattek said. "But we should not concede a goal at home.

Lattek said that a two-goal lead should be enough, despite Real's reputation of overturning even greater deficits

"We are a mature team and we can preserve a 2-0 result, even in Madrid," he said. Real's hopes have been hit

badly by the unavailability of two members of its dangerous threeman strike force. The team's Dutch coach Leo Beenhakker will have the services

of the sharp Emilio Butragueno but will be without Argentina's Jorge Valdano, who is sick, and the suspended Mexican international, Hugo Sanchez, top scorer in the Spanish League with 27

In the other Champions Cup semifinal, underdog Porto of Portugal takes on Dynamo Kiev, a side full of creative and exciting players and dubbed by some experts as the team of the 80's.

The Soviets, most of whom represented the national side at last summer's World Cup finals, won the 1986 Cupwinners Cup in flamboyant style and are three matches away from a second succesive European triumph.

after a muscle injury, and Fernando Gomez to try and upset the rhythm of the visitors. Despite the relative success of France's national team over the past decade, its clubs have been pitifully weak in major European

ing 0-2 defeat at Sporting Lisbon at the weekend but has plenty of

European experience and will

look to its international strike

force of Paulo Futre, returning

But Bordeaux hopes to change all that by winning the Cupwin-ners Cup in Athens next month. First, however, the south-west French side has to deal with Lokomotiva Leipzig of East Germany, in the semifinals and is virtually at full strength for

Bordeaux is in the middle of a busy period of crucial matches and travels to Marseille next weekend for a crucial top-of-thetable league game that could decide the outcome of the French

But on Wednesday, all thoughts will be on toppling Leipzig and gaining revenge for a UEFA Cup defeat by the East German side three years ago when Bordeaux lost both legs.

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### **LONDON EXCHANGE RATES**

LONDON (R) - Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midday on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets on Tuesday.

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**LONDON STOCK MARKET** 

LONDON (R) - Equities drifted lower after the easier opening

on Wall Street, but the London market was depressed from the

ontset on lack of interest and a feeling that Monday's gains were

Much of Tuesday's business was inter-professional, but dealers noted that despite Tuesday's falls and low volume the market still

had a firm, although cautious, undertone. At 1430 GMT the FTSE 100 index was down 8.1 points at 1,981.5 compared with an

Concern over the possibility of a trade war with Japan, although less pronounced, provided further caution.

On Monday, the Japanese Finance Ministry made moves to try

and dispel fears of a trade war by saying it would help to expand

the Tokyo stock exchange membership to facilitate foreign membership.

However, British Corporate Affairs Minister Michael Howard

has told Japan to resolve the row over Cable and Wireless'

shareholding in a new Japanese telecommunications company or

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tunity to make more money may have a flaw in it. Don't

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sistent if you want to gain a personal wish. Generosity

can be a fine virtue for you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) Consider many ways to show gratitude for a friend'a loyal assistance. Be careful in both motion and speech.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Use much care and can-

tion where worldly and civic matters are concerned. An

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) A new outlet re-

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) You are tempted to go off on a tangent, but it would be wiser to handla

business details intelligently.

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PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) You have excellent ideas

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# Swiss-Arab trade drops

GENEVA (OPECNA) — Swiss exports to Gulf Arab countries dropped 31 per cent in value last year in the wake of falling oil prices, which hit the region's purchasing power, and the appreciation of the Swiss franc against other currencies.

Switzerland sold \$949 million worth of goods to the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) in 1986, compared with sales of \$1.38 billion the previous year.

Over the same period, the European country's imports from the region declined in value by 50 per cent, from \$259 million to \$129

The sharp contraction in trade was a focal point of the 13th annual assembly of the Swiss-Arab chamber of commerce which ended here last week.

The "worries and hopes" affecting the relationship between Europe and the Arab World were ontlined by the main guest speaker, Dr. Bishara Kader, director of the Arab Studies Centre at Belgium's Louvain University.

About 130 officials from Swiss and Arab commercial and financial companies, together with diplomatic representatives, attended the gathering.

### Money troubles endanger 2,000 Yugoslav companies

BELGRADE (R) — More than 2,000 Yugoslav firms employing almost 600,000 people made los-ses last year and about 200 could Yngoslavia (CTUY) said Tues-

The official, Mr. Dusan Kocoljevoc, told Reuters the information was presented at a trade union leaders meeting beld in Belgrade Monday.

Mr. Kocoljevoc, confirming details of the meeting reported in local newspapers, said 2,306 firms made losses in 1986 and 200 were face early liquidation, a member in "immediate danger of luquidation of the presidency of the Confederation of Trade Unions of losses going back as far as 1985.

A bankruptcy law is due to come into effect in July under which loss-making firms will have six months to recover their 1986 losses. Such firms will have to reduce their wages to the minimum level and those which fail to recover face liquidation.

## Japan's foreign reserves hit record \$58.3 billion

TOKYO (AP) - Japan's foreign reserves registered a record \$58.3 billion at the close of the last fiscal year March 31, more than double from the year before, finance ministry officials said last

An official of the International Finance Bureau, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said the record figure was mainly due to Japan's central bank intervention in exchange markets. The central bank has sold massive amounts of yen to prop up the U.S. dollar

over the past year.

The fiscal 1986 total was an increase of \$30.4 billion, 2.1 currency.

times the fiscal 1985 amount of \$27.9 billion.

The March figure, which was a jump of \$6.6 billion over the previous month, was the 10th consecutive monthly increase, the official said.

The Bank of Japan reportedly bought \$6.4 billion in March to stem the dollar's decline. Since September 1985, the yen

has appreciated by nearly 60 per cent against the dollar, during which the Bank of Japan entered Tokyo and some overseas exchange markets to boost the U.S.

### British reserves total \$27b

LONDON (R) - Britain said last week its gold and foreign currency reserves showed their biggest rise last month in almost 10

The treasury said the underlying increase of \$1.78 billion was the largest since October, 1977, when underlying reserves rose \$3.04

Market forecasts had centred on a rise of about \$650 million. After an annual revaluation of holdings in gold, International Monetary Fund Special Drawing Rights, European Currency Units \$27.04 billion.

Economists commented that the pound had been strong recently and also that the Bank of England, the central bank, had been buying dollars, which go into the reserves, to defend the dollar in the currency markets since Feb. 22.

This was under an agreement in Paris to stabilise currencies reached by finance ministers of the United States, Japan, West Germany, France, Britain and Canada.

The huge holdings also mean that the Bank of England now bas substantial resources to draw on to defend the pound in the currency markets, where it has weakened again recently. "It does mean he (Chancellor of the Exchequer Nigel Lawson) has a lot more ammunition to defend the currency," said Mr.

Gavyn Davies, economist at Goldman Sachs International. He said that the timing of comments by Mr. Lawson that be wanted to hold the pound about 2.90 marks and \$1.60 was probably influenced by knowledge of the reserves figures.

# Incomes decline in many countries

WASHINGTON (AP) — Many of the world's poorest countries have been getting poorer and some of the rich ones have too, according to figures made public by the World Bank.

Representatives of the 151 governments that own the bank and its sister organisation, the International Monetary Fund, opened a week of meetings at the fund's headquarters Monday.

The bank at the same time released the 1987 World Bank Atlas, which brings its income figures up to date through 1985.

It shows 2.3 billion peoeple, nearly half the population of the world, living in 35 countries where the average income per person was \$400 a year or less. India, with a population of 765 million, bad a per capita income of \$250 in 1985. That figure represents an increase of 44 per cent

The traditionally prosperous industrial countries continued to

do well. The average American's income rose from \$15,540 in 1984 to \$16,400 in 1985. The average, Japanese income went up to \$11,330 from \$10,650.

But South Africa had a drop of four per cent, and Irish incomes fell slightly as well, from \$4,980 to \$4,840.

In West Germany, the average income rose by 2.4 per cent in domestic terms. But translated into terms of the U.S. dollar, which was comparatively high that year, there was a decline expectionally high rate of 5.6

from \$11,160 to \$10,940. Since per cent a year since 1973. then, the price of the dollar has dropped considerably and the next West German figure should show an increase in dollar terms.

Among the countries that have grown poorer is Jamaica, where the average citizen earns \$710 a vear. The Jamaican income figure bas been going down by 3.5 per cent a year since 1973.

Income declines have been experienced by 36 countries, nearly all in Africa and Latin

In most communist-ruled countries the bank says it does not

bave a data available. In China, the average income is \$310 a year for a population of 1.04 billion. According to the figures the Chinese government has given the bank, average in-

In many countries which bave seen declines, things got worse between 1984 and 1985. Argentina, for example, where the drop averaged two per cent a year between 1973 and 1985, saw a

decline of 5.3 per cent in the last of those years. Ethiopia is one of the poorest countries of all, with an average incoeme of only \$110. That had been declining at a rate of 0.4 per cent a year. In 1985, the decline

was 7.6 per cent. The drop in the price of oil hit some Middle East countries hard: The living standard of the average Saudi Arabian had been rising modestly over the years. In 1985, it dropped from \$10,980 to \$8,860. In Kuwait the average declined from \$16,720 to \$14,270. In these countries, much of the oil income is received and spent by governments on public ser-

# Poland to privatise state companies; Castro ridicules free market forces

STOCKHOLM (R) - Poland will soon offer shares to private. citizens in several state companies under major reforms to rejuvenate its socialist economy, and it might even open a stock exchange one day, a Polish official said Monday.

The economy had to be made

more responsive to market-forces, chief Polish government spokesman, Mr. Jerzy Urban, told a news conference in Stock-

Mr. Urban said that under reforms to be unveiled in a few weeks' time, "the wbole leadership of the Polisb economy and its management methods will be replaced.

Private individuals would be offered shares in state firms to stimulate a new entrepreneurship, and state subsidies to industry would be cut by 15 per cent this budget year to force inefficient enterprises into bank-

Asked wbether the share offerings meant Poland planned to start a fully-fledged stock ex-change, Mr. Urban replied:

"Plans to start a classic stock Gorbachev. "They will make fumarket like London's have not ture cooperation between two been included in existing projects, but if there is a demand for ture," he said. He was asked if the conversion it and if it proves necessary or suitable for the good of the Polish

from it. There were "no doctrinaire barriers standing in the way of working out new motors of eco-nomic change," Mr. Urban said. The essence of the reforms was to "base the Polish economy on the rational rules of the market."

economy, we would not refrain

He gave no examples of which state companies might end up being coowned by private individuals, but said no branch of the economy would be excluded from the reforms

"This definitely means stepping out of the system of central--subsidised industry," be said. We shall try to cut subsidies by 15 per cent this year ... so that the outdated and unprofitable parts of industry go bankrupt."

Mr. Urban said the planned Polish measures were convergent with reforms in the Soviet Union under Soviet leader, Mr. Mikhail

similar economies easier in fu-

to a market economy would not represent an ideological setback fur Poland's communist leaders. "The role of socialism is to distribute prosperity — not

poverty," he said. Mr. Urban said the government should in future stop managing enterprises and concentrate on conducting economic policy instead - "we want to destroy all the corsets to economic growth."

But he expected resistance to reform, saying that a conservative apparatus was on principle opposed to privatisation, whatever benefits it offered, "Managers cannot have their habits and ways of thinking changed overnight."

"We know economic reforms must be coordinated with political ones although Polish society is at present far more interested in material living standards than in politics," be said, stressing that any political reform had to be gradual.

Mr. Urban said the Roman Catholic church leadership in Poland would be one of the interested parties consulted on the reforms, some which will then be submitted to parliament for approval.

Regarding the same subject, President Fidel Castro Monday said the market economy mechanisms being used in some other communist countries were not valid for Cuba and he criticised consumerism.

"Profits, profits, profits what has that got to do with the revolution?" be asked the union of young communists in his closing speech at the end of its five-day congress.

President Castro characterised as "idyllic and stupid" the belief that economic mechanisms based on monetary incentives and profitability of state enterprises could do the work of the Communist Party in building socialism and stimulating development.

He also said economically advanced countries could not be models for poorer Third World

### Lufthansa buys 2 Airbus planes

COLOGNE, West Germany (AP) — The West German air-line, Lufthansa, has placed orders for two A310-300 jets from the European aircraft consortinm Airbus Industrie, a company statement said last week. Lefthansa gave no price for the purchase, saying that replacement parts orders and exact specifications remained to be set. The new orders will bring to 34 the number of A300 and A310 aircraft in Lufthansa's fleet. Deliveries are scheduled for late 1988 and early 1989. Airbus is a joint venture between Messerschmitt-Boelkow-Blohm of West Germany, Aerospatiale of France, Casa of Spain and British Acros-

### ADDIS ABABA (R) — Africa's cent in their gross domestic pro-economic performance in 1986 duct (GDP) and non-oil expor-commodities. was disappointing and prospects ters recording four-per-cent ding to a growth.

United Nations report made public Tuesday.

The report, prepared by the U.N. Economic Commission for Africa and the African Development Bank said: "Despite the determination by African countries to undertake policy and institutional reforms, the economic growth for the region was disappointing in 1986. The combined gross domestic product in real terms increased by only 1.2 per cent."

Performances varied considerably, with oil exporting countries experiencing a decline of 0.3 per

rose to 9.8 per cent last year from 8.9 in 1985, the report said. Agricultural output increased three per cent because of good weather and improved incentive

schemes, and manufacturing improved by four per cent. The decline in oil prices and falling world demand for minerals last year led to an estimated 28.7

per cent fall in export carnings, turning a \$5.9 billion surplus in 1985 into a \$7.1 billion deficit in

The report said prospects for 1987 were bleak with depressed

U.N. report describes Africa's 1986 economic performance as disappointing

> "Trade and current account The continent's inflation rate though beloew 1986 levels. The volume of net resources and inflows is expected to stagnate at 1986 level," it said.

Agricultural output would grow again this year and the manufacturing sector would be bampered by shortages of imported raw materials, the report forecast.

It advised African governments to curb increases in public spending and subsidies to public enterprises, noting that rapid growth in subsidies and public spending had not brought in enough cash and often led to deficits.

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THE Daily Crossword By Mark Olehi



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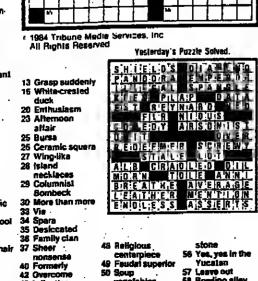
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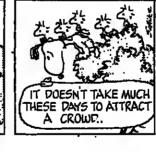


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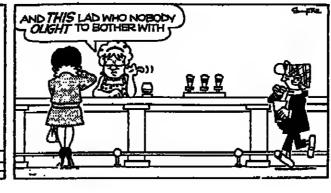
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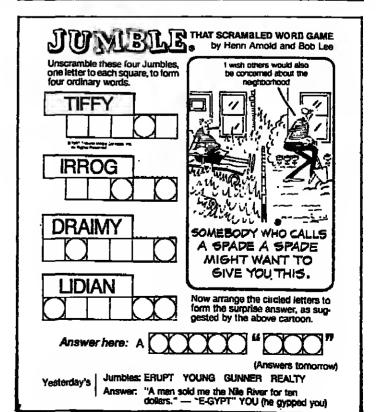
## **Andy Capp**







# THE BETTER HALF, By Harris HARRIS 0 "It's a pop quiz! Last time you got a 'C' in kissing! Let's try for a 'B' this time!"



# Split appears imminent in S. Korea's opposition party

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) — A split in South Korea's major opposition party appeared imminent Tuesday after its two largest factions agreed "in principle" to secede to form a new party.

We understand that the two Kims (Kim Young-Sam and Kim Dae-Jung) will formally announce the decision (to secede) on Wednesday," one party source said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

The source said the two Kims met twice on Monday and agreed they should split from the malo opposition New Korea Democratic Party (NKDP). The Kims cited ongoing factional wrangling over the party's leadership and strategy on proposed constitu-

The two Kims, South Korea's best-known dissidents, head the so-called "mainstream group" which controls nearly four-fifths of 90 lawmakers affiliated with the New Korea Democratic

If the split materialises, the NKDP, which merged as the largest opposition force against the government of President Chun Doo-Hwan in the Feb. 12, 1985 general elections, would be little more than a splinter group.

A party formed by the two Kims likely would be more united and take a harder line in opposing the ruling Democratic Justice Party (DJP).

The NKDP plunged into confusion over the weekend after two ranking party lawmakers - Lee Tack-Hee and Lee Chul-Seuing - challenged the two Kims' leadership and voiced support for policies of President Chun's Democratic Justice Party.

The two Kims, supported by party President Lee Min-Won,

rent penetration by Soviet agents.

anonymity, said Mr. Shultz had

considered postponing his talks

with Soviet Foreign Minister

Eduard Shevardnadze im-

mediately after two U.S. Marine

guards at the Moscow embassy

were arrested and charged with

But, the official said, "the

secretary feels the overwhelming

importance of the U.S.-Soviet

The official, who requested

against the two Lees, who they strong opposition," said Kim chreed had undermined the party's strategy on constitutional amendments.

Young-Sam, who reportedly is

seeking the party presidency at

"We have no choice but to

secede from the NKDP because

the May convention is realistical-

ly impossible to convene," said

one source close to Kim who

The emergence of a new harder

line political party led by the two

Kims could have a significant

impact on Sonth Korea's current

political impasse caused by two

conflicting plans for a constitu-

tional amendment on presidential

President Chun's ruling party

favours a parliamentary-cabinet

system with a strong prime minis-

ter and a largely ceremonial head of state, while the two Kims

advocate a direct, popular elec-

tion of the president, arguing that

the cabinet system heavily

began after the Soviet interven-

tion in 1979, would not end until

Moscow allowed Afghanistan to

have a non-aligned government.

nistan's ruling Communist Party

Monday invited rebels to join a

debate on a new constitution,

The radio, monitored in Isla-

mabad, quoted party leader Na-

jih as saying a draft of the new

constitution contained principle

of national reconciliation and a

Addressing a constitutional commission, be asked it to organise a national debate on the

"Those on the opposite side

can also take part in the debate, give their views and proposals and criticise," he said in refer-

ence to gnerrillas fighting his gov-

Any move to cut aid to Israel

would antomatically cause a

furor, and Sen. Kassebaum said

she did not anticipate immediate

success in the effort. Rather, she

cbaracterised the bill as an

attempt to stimulate debate about

the wisdom of the way Congress

allocates money for aid projects

Meanwhile a prominent mem-

ber of Congress Monday prop-

osed that the United States levy a

service fee on allied exports to

help pay for the defence of West-

Representative Patricia

Schroeder, a senior member on

the House of Representatives

Armed Services Committee, sug-

gested as an example a six per

cent surcharge on imported

ern Europe and Japan.

around the world.

Kabul Radio reported.

programme for peace.

Meanwhile, the leader of Afgha-

the May convention.

declined to be named.

The trouble worsened Saturday wben some 300 supporters of Lee Tack-Hee began a sit-in at the party's headquarters in downtown Seoul, demanding that the two Kims stop "meddling" in party affairs and retire from poli-

Mr. Lee sought a court injunction to bar Kim Young-Sam from interfering in party affairs, charging that the 59-year party adviser had collected a large sum of money from political aspirants for the 1985 parliamentary elections.

The two Kims charges that the current trouble was part of a government manoeuvre to defame the NKDP and block its national convention, scheduled

"This is none other than a the cahinet system I government intelligence scheme favours the ruling camp.

Minister Margaret Thatcher has

said she believes Soviet leader

Mikhail Gorbachev is sincere in

saying he wants to pull his coun-

try's troops ont of Afghanistan.

dinner on Monday night for visit-

ing Pakistani Prime Minister

Mohammad Khan Junejo, said

she based her impression on talks

she had last week in Moscow with

But the Soviet Union, she said,

did not appear ready to take the

necessary steps to withdraw its

troops, estimated by Western ex-

perts to number about 115,000.

the focal point of Mr. Junejo's

eight-day visit to Britain. Pakis-

tan, bome to three million

Afghan refugees, supports

Afghan guerrillas fighting the

Communist Kabul government

cailed for an end to Congress'

practice of designating parts of

the U.S. foreign aid budget for

House of Representatives and

Senate committees are drafting a

new foreign aid bill for 1988 and

1989, with leaders in both cham-

bers predicting that a new round

of severe cuts will be needed to

belp Congress meet its deficit

reduction goals for the year.

The Senate hill proposes budgeting foreign aid by regions,

rather than by specific countries,

and focusing aid on priorities such as health, agriculture,

The effect of legislation prop-

osed Monday hy Republican

Senator Nancy Kassebaum would

be to shift some of the burden of

education and infrastructure.

Britain and Pakistan agreed at ernment

Foreign Relations Committee has Congress.

U.S. urged to end foreign

aid budgeting by country

WASHINGTON (Agencies) - the bon's share of U.S. aid be-

A senior member of the Senate cause of its political weight in

and the Soviet troops.

The Afghan issue has become

the Kremlin leader.

Mrs. Thatcher, speaking at a

Thatcher: Gorbachev sincere

LONDON (R) - British Prime talks Monday that the war, which

in wanting Afghan pullout

Pope, in Argentina, praises new democracy BUENOS AIRES, Argentina day tour of Chile. It is the second (AP) — Pope John Paul II time the Pontiff has visited this

praised Argentina's newly restored democracy and said the country was living "a privileged moment.

But the Pope also brought up the spectre of this country's pobtical repression in the 1970s, saying authorities are obliged to promote human rights despite "situations of extreme difficulties, avoiding the frequent temptation of answering violence with

Pope John Paul arrived Monday after a violence-marred, six-

nation of 31 million since he became head of the world's 840 million Roman Catholics.

The Pope told President Raul Alfonsin and political leaders at the government house the country was on the road to recovery. "Yon have the vigour of a

young nation that has accummulated a rich historical experience," the Pope said, alluding to the return to democracy in 1983 after seven years of military rule. "This is a privileged moment for the country."

## Jakarta calls for military alertness in poll campaign

JAKARTA (R) — Indonesian Armed Forces Chief General Benny Murdani has told top military commanders to step up alertness for extremist threats while working for the success of elections later this month, it was reported Tuesday.

The military chiefs are holding a top-level meeting in Jakarta to review how programmes to boost efficiency and preparedness of the 280,000-strong military were being implemented, an armed forces spokesman Tuesday told

archipelago of 168 million people which hes between the Pacific and Indian Oceans.

At the opening of the conference Monday, Gen. Murdani military during the year, includ-Bersenjata reported Tuesday.

The armed forces have played

forces should step np alertness for the latent dangers of Communism. and extremist groups from hoth left and right, the paper said. In a separate speech on Saturday to officials on a national

Gen. Murdani said the armed

the World War II.

defence course, Gen. Murdani said that in view of the upheavals which threatened the country's unity after a 1965 Communist coup attempt, it was clear Indonesia did not just need a milit-ary for national defence, but armed forces which could face domestic threats as well.

Indonesia's armed forces are in the middle of a major restructuring designed to increase efficiency, slim down command structures and bring younger men into top posts.

The election is for 400 seats in the 500-member National Assemhly. The other 100 seats are reserved for military appointees. President Suharto's ruling Golkar Party is expected to win 70 per cent of the vote.

The campaign has been marked by calls for greater student rights and more political freedom in this carefully-controlled South-East Asian state.

### Reuters. The meeting is being held in the middle of election campaigning across Indonesia, a giant

spelt out six objectives for the ing maintaining security and ensuring the success of the parliamentary elections which will be held on April 23, the armed forces newspaper Angkatan

a major role in governing Indonesia since helping to achieve independence from the Dutch after

### 200 Sikhs arrested after attacks on Punjab stores

NEW DELHI (R) - Punjab police have arrested more than 200 Sikh fundamentalist youths after crowds sacked stores selling liquor, cigarettes and meat, the United News of India reported. new gronps (liquor vendors)

The arrests Monday were a preventive measure after more than 15 liquor, cigarette and meat Ribeiro was quoted as saying by the news agency.

He did not say how many carner, the Telegraph reporte actual attackers had heen from Chandigarh on Sunday. arrested but said the police offensive was not completed.

cigarettes and meat scarilegious. Barber shops also have been burned in the latest round of attacks, as the Sikh faith forbids the cutting of hair or beards. The attacks were the part of the latest terror campaign by Sikh separatists to drive Hindus from the Sikh-majority state. Killings by suspected terrorists have become

regular occurrence. The Punjab government currently is trying to woo back hun-dreds of Hindu families who have fled because of the increase in terrorist attacks. "The use of violence against

could lead to a fresh wave of migration from Punjab," the Hindn newspaper reported Monday. At least 30 per cent of cigarette Punjab Police Chief Julius and liquor shops already have closed in rural Punjab, where liquor trade is a major revenue earner, the Telegraph reported

Mr. Ribeiro says police will shoot shop attackers on sight and Sikhs consider liqnor, extra security will be provided to more than 2,300 liqnor shops.

The Punjah government earned more than \$1.9 million from taxes on liquor sales last year, the Sunday Mail reported. In a separate development the Indian government appointed a commission Monday to investigate the use of a U.S. detective agency to look into foreign finan-cial holdings of prominent. In-

### France's 'red billionaire' dies

PARIS (R) — Jean-Baptiste Doumeng, a French Communist who huilt a vast fortune trading agricultural products with the Soviet Bloc, has died after a long illness, aged 67.

The "red billionaire" as he was

called, was a key figure in Franco-Soviet trade and a controversial one, with his sales of huge quantities of subsidised European Community surplus butter, beef and other foodstuffs to the Soviet

Burly, outspoken, and ready to use strong language to voice his

Communist Party since his teens. But he enjoyed a wealthy lifestyle, owning a stable of racehorses, an executive jet and a large estate in south western

When asked how he reconciled his politics with his capitalist business dealings, be would say with a grin that they helped swell party

The son of poor farmworkers. be left primary school to become a shepherd. "We lived in appalluse strong language to voice his ing conditions — it was a shame opinions, he had been in the and an affront," he recalled.

## **Indonesian plane 'hit by** down draft' before crash

JAKARTA (R) — An Indonesian airliner that planged onto a runway killing 28 people was hit by a sudden down draft in a thunderstorm and had defective controls, the Transport Ministry

said Tuesday. Garuda Indonesia Airline President Reyn Lumenta told newsmen earlier that his company's plane had been hit by lightning as

it was preparing to land at Polonia International Airport in Medan, north Sumatra, last Saturday.

A ministry statement distri-

buted to newsmen did not mention lightning, and quoted the pilot of the doomed DC-9 airliner as saying the plane suddenly lost altitude in a "down draft," within sight of the runway.

Pilot Sumirat, who was interviewed at his hospital bed by Transport Minister Rusmin Nuriadin on Sunday, said the plane's pitch, yaw and roll controls would not work when be tried to take

The plane, carrying 37 passengers and eight crew on a flight from Banda Aceh in northern Sumatra, then ploughed into high-voltage power lines dragging behind it a one-tonne power transformer and cables, the statement said.

The plane veered into a canal embankment, sheered off a wing, and tumbled onto the airfield in an explosive ball of fire, the statement said.

Mr. Nurjadin told newsmen that an investigation team from the Civil Air Transportation Division and the National Intelligence Agency had not concluded a probe. He said reports on what caused the crash would be "pure conjecture" at this point.

Lumenta on Sunday quoted a transcript of the pilot's last message to the airport control tower as saying: 'I have been hit by hightning and losing altitude."

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### American wins Hemingway prize

PARIS (R) - American novelist and short-story writer Peter Taylor was named winner of the \$50,000 Ritz Paris Hemingway Award — one of the literary world's richest awards. Taylor won for his novel A Summons To Memphis, judged the best novel published in English last year by a 10-man international panel of authors. Other finalists for the prize were Austrian Peter Handke's Across and Canadian Margaret Atwood's The Handmaid's Tale. Jury-member William Styron, author of Sophie's Choice, said of Taylor: "He's one of our best writers, but one of the lesser-known ones. He deserves to be better known and we hope this prize will help with that." Taylor, 70, was born in Tennessee and has spent most of his life as a university literature professor. Since 1967 be was taught at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

### Treasures from countess' villa auctioned

FLORENCE, Italy (AP) - Sotheby's began auctioning the arts works and furnishings from the late American countess Mona Bismarck's villa on the fashionable island of Capri. The auction of some 900 pieces began on schedule after a last minute go-ahead from the Italian Culture Ministry. Earlier, Italian authorities had threatened to block the sale on grounds that the villa was a national monument. In the first two sessions, total sales reached a figure of about 1.68 billion lire (\$1.3 million), said Sotheby's spokesman Lucian Comoy. Among the items auctioned in the first sessions were a pair of Chinese paintings that went for 185 million lire (\$142,000), Comoy said. Other items np for sale were two giant paintings by the Spanish artist Jose Maria Sert, French and Italian furniture, silverware, carpets, "Even pots and pans," he said. The countess, who died in Paris in 1984 at the age of 84, began visiting Capri, an island in the Bay of Naples, in the 1930s. Her third husband, U.S. industrialist Harrison Williams, built for her "Villa Fortino" on the scenic site where Emperor Tiberius had a palace overlooking the sea.

### Fire sweeps through famous brewery

MUNICH, West Germany (R) - More than 150 firemen fought to control a huge fire at the brewery which serves Munich's world-famous Hofbraenhaus Beer Hall. City officials said the blaze started in a former malthouse and tore through the four-storey 19th century building, made almost entirely of wood. Three firemen were reported injured fightig the blaze, which also destroyed a restaurant in the complex. The Bavarian state-owned brewery is located in the city centre but is about two kilometres from the Hofbraeunhaus, famous for its annual Oktoberfest Beer Festival. Police in loudspeaker vans toured the area where the brewery is sited advising residents to stay indoors and close windows to avoid inhaling fumes.

### WHO employees smash ashtrays

GENEVA (R) — Employees of the World Health Organisation (WHO) smashed ashtrays at a ceremony marking the start of a ban on smoking at WHO headquarters. The ban went into effect Tuesday, the annual celebration of World Health Day. Dr. Halfdan Mahler, director-geeral of WHO, told a crowd of about 100 employees at a brief ceremony: "As the world's conscience on health, we have decided to give a small example." Dr. Mahler said about 1.5 million people die of smoking-related causes every year, including 500,000 in the United States, an estimate he said he considered conservative. There would be no sanctions against those of WHO's 1,300 employees who defied the ban, be added.

### Bald people apply for hair-restoring test

ROTTERDAM (R) - Thousands of bald Dutchmen have rushed to join a hospital's tests on a hair restorer but most will be disappointed because only 200 will be chosen to smear the gel on their beads, hospital officials have said. They said doctors were amazed when about 8,000 men answered their request for burnan guinea pigs aged 18 to 49 to take part in the experiment on a drug that reduces blood pressure and appears to stimulate hair growth as a side effect.

### **Specialist pinpoints cardiac dangers**

LUND, Sweden (R) - Keeping fit, eating well and banning cigarettes may not be the only vital facors in preventing a heart attack, according to a report published by a Swedish cardiac specialist. John Franzen, heart specialist in this southern Swedish university town, said he had pinpointed a lack of high density lipoprotein (HDL), a natural defence against sclerosis, to be equally crucial to the incidence of cardiac illness. Franzen said the traditional approach to curing heart disease was to reduce cholesterol in the blood but that medication which increased HDL levels would be an equally effective measure. He said he had drawn his conclusions after studies of 270 heart attack patients over a period of five years. HDL "mops up" excess cholesterol, which is produced by a surfeit of fatty foods and lack of exercise, Franzen said. A medical team in the western city of Gothenburg last week said they had isolated two genes that were keys to the hereditary development of heart disease, the firt step towards developing a new range of preventive medication.

### 5 royal cousins entered mental hospital

LONDON (R) — Five of Queen Elizabeth's cousins were admitted to a mental bospital ontside London in 1941 and three of them are still alive, according to health officials. A hospital spokeswoman on Monday said one of the British monarch's first cousins, listed as dead since 1963 in a guide to the British aristocracy, was in the Royal Earlswood Hospital in the county of Surrey, south west of London. The woman, Katherine Bowes-Lyon, 60, is a miece of Queen Mother Elizabeth, whose maiden name was Bowes-Lyon. Katherine's sister, Nerissa, died in the same government-owned hospital last year, aged 67. The Queen Mother, president of the Royal Society for Mentally Handicapped Children and Adults (MENCAP), found out five years ago that her two mieces were alive, MENCAP General Secretary Sir Brian Rix said. He told reporters the Queen Mother had believed both sisters were dead. On learning the truth, she was "very supportive and has been supportive ever since," be added. A Surrey health authority spokesman told reporters that three others sisters, Oneen Elizabeth's second cousins, were admitted to the bospital at the same time as the Bowes-Lyon sisters. Two, Etheldreda Fane, 64, and Idonea Fane, 72, were sharing the same ward as Katherine Bowes-Lyon. The spokesman said the sisters "are aware of a long kinship, but they have a mental age of young children and a memory that comes and goes." The third sister, Rosemary Fane, died in 1972.

### Soldiers re-create battle of Shiloh

SHILOH, Tennessee (AP) - The echo of musket fire swept across rolling fields as 6,000 civil war buffs transformed into civil war soldiers staged a remake of one of the blodiest battles on American soil. About 40,000 spectators paid \$3 a head to watch the show, the reenactment of a two-day fight 125 years ago. The real battle began on April 6, 1862, when 40,000 Confederate troops led by Gen. Albert Sidney Johnson surprised an equal number of Union soldiers under the command of Gen. Ulysses S. Grant. By the time the battle ended, more than 100,000 men had joined the fight, and 23,000 of them were killed or wounded. At the time it was the largest battle fought in the United States. The civil war was fought after the South seceded from the nation, in response to various issues including a federal mandate to end the enslavement of blacks. Sunday's event was organised by the Shiloh Reenactment Association Inc., which said requirements for proper period dress and weapons were strictly enforced. The soldiers, wearing replicas of civil war uniforms, were armed with 1860s-era weapons or replicas. Cavalrymen provided their own mounts. Reenactment organisers had to deal with matters more mundane than combat, such as parking and traffic control.

### Shultz to take 'precautions' during Moscow trip the U.S. emhassy after the appa

WASHINGTON (AP) - Secretary of State George Shultz may ride out to the airport and use his U.S. air force jetliner to communicate with President Ronald Reagan or to huddle with aides when he is in the Soviet Union next week.

Mr. Shultz also may use a trailer, equipped with special "anti-bug" devices, if he is unsure that at least part of the U.S. embassy in Moscow is free of concealed Soviet listening equip-

are under consideration, an American official said Monday,

relationship and arms control is simply overriding and the decision was made to go ahead. That

### Reagan urges Soviets to end support for 'dictatorships'

dent Reagan has called on the Soviet Union to show its sincerity in seeking improved relations by ending what be called its attempts "to install dictators" throughout

In a speech Monday to the Canadian parliament, Mr. Reagan welcomed reforms in Soviet society introduced by Kremlin chief Mikhail Gorhachev but added:

"The surest sign that the Soviet Union truly wants better relations, that it truly wants peace, would be to end its global strategy to impose one-party dictatorships — allow the people of this world to determine their own futures, in liberty and peace."

Mr. Reagan also pledged to seek a treaty to eliminate medium-range missiles in Europe that would strengthen allied security and could not be circum-East and West in shorter-range

which be made conciliatory statements on two issues dividing the North American neighbours, acid rain and sovereignty over the north west passage.

He promised in his speech to parliament Monday to consider Prime Minister Brian Mulroney's proposal for a bilateral accord to control acid rain, caused by polluting over the Canadian border and damaging lakes and wildlife. damaging lakes and wildlife.

The president said be and Mr. Mulroney agreed to "inject new impetus" into talks on Canada's claim to sovereignty over the north west passage.

But officials of both countries acknowledged there remained a wide gap betweeen the positions of Canada and the United States

on the two issues. White House Chief of Staff vented by an imbalance between . Howard Baker told reporters: "We're not committing ourselves to negotiate a treaty (on acid rain). It (Reagan's pledge) is a vehicle for negotiations.

Mr. Reagan returned to Washington Monday night after a

### GOREN BRIDGE

BY CHARLES GOREN

ANSWERS TO WEEKLY BAIDGE QUIZ Q.1-As South, vidnerable, you hold. 47 CAKQ102 CA98 #AJ195 The bidding has proceeded: South West North East  $1 \nabla$  Pass  $1 \Phi$  Pass

1 ♥ Pass 1 ♦ Pass 2 ♦ Pass 4 ♠ Pass

What action do you take? A .- For his jump to game at this vulnerability, partner should have a suit that will play for only one loser. Your control cards should take care of all partner's side-sun losers, so we would upt for six spades However, if you want to give partner a bit of leeway, one-bid five diamonds.

Q.2-Both vulnerable, as South yon hold: ♦A ∇AKJ9 (109762 ♦KJ7 The bidding has proceeded-South West North Pass 1 NT Pass

What action do you take? A.—Now that you know the opposnents do not have a refuge in the spade smt. The time has come to penalties, liad you wanted to hear from partner, you would have dou-bled one heart for takeout.

Q.3-As South, vulnerable, your hold. **+Q9** ♥K7 ∜AQ10952 **+**876

The bidding has proceeded: North East South West 1 Pass 2 Dble Pass 2 7 Pass 2 ♡ What do you bid now?

A.—This is a situation where partner can judge the situation better than you. He knows the approximate strength of your hand from your two-over-one response, but his opening bid can have quite a

wide range. Pass, and let him de-

cide on the best action for your

Q.4-East-West vulnerable, as South you hold: •A \( \sqrt{Q}\)872 \( \operatorname{J}\)10542 \( \operatorname{9}\)3 The bidding has proceeded: West North East South What action do you take?

A.—Since the opponents have a lot of black cards, some preemptive action is called for. We suggest four diamonds, but won't quibble with five Four diamonds appeals more because, should partner go on to game, we think he might make it. If the opponents perservere with four spades, you will then have to deade whether to defend or bid

Q.5—East-West vulnerable, as South you hold: 45 7653 | AQ10942 4852 The bidding has proceeded: South West North East Pass Pass ! 4 2 T

A .- dust because you are a passed hand and not vulnerable does not give you the right to stick your a danger of a misfit, and hidding three diamonds might force three spades from partner, and from Pass. If partner is strong, he will

Q.6-As South, vulnerable, you

490 'KQJ10763 0854 46 Partner opens the bidding with amdiamond. What do you respond? A.—This is no time for shilly shallying around. Bid four hearts. firstly because you might make it, and secondly because it is quite possible that the opponents have a playable spot in spades and oce emptive action by you could keep

## 2 bodies recovered after New York bridge collapse

a shrinking foreign aid program-me onto Israel, which now gets Iapanese Subaru cars.

- Rescue workers have spotted one body and recovered two into Schoharie Creek. others from a rain-swollen creek

Up to 400 feet (122 metres) of

plummeted 80 feet (27 metres)

A state police helicopter spotwhere a major highway bridge ted a body floating in the collapsed, killing at least four Mohawk River about four miles (6.4 km) from the scene, said state police spokesman Robert the New York state Thruway Armet. The creek empties into Bridge fell Sunday near this town the Mohawk. Armet said he did 35 miles (56 kilometres) not know when the body would

### west of Albany, the state capital. **Biggest Tamil group** denies revenge killings

biggest Tamil rebel group Tuesday denied government reports that it had killed more than 250 members of rival groups in revenge for an assassination

attempt on one of its leaders. "This is just government propaganda and attempts by Sri Lankan authorities to discredit our organisation," Anton Balasingbam of the Liberation Tigers of Tamil Eelam (LTTE) told Reuters from the south Indian city of

The government said Monday the LTTE began to slaughter rival separatist guerrillas in the Jaffna peninsula after a grenade attack on March 30 seriously wounded Sathasivampillai Krishnakumar, the LTTE's Jaffna commander.

"We don't have any evidence

COLOMBO (R) - Sri Lanka's agents could be involved," Balasingham said.

He said two LTTE guerrillas and 18 from three rivals groups were killed in a clash in Jaffna on the same day. "The 18, held captive by us for several months, tried to break

free, taking advantage of the confusion caused by the grenade attack," be said. "In the ensuing battle there were casualties. This is the only incident so far," Balasingham

added. He denied rumours that Krishnakumar bad been smuggled to south India for treatment and that one of his legs was amputated there.

The LTTE field commander was recovering in Jaffna hospital from leg wounds and paid a brief visit to the LTTE beadquarters yet whether rival groups were nearby on Sunday, Balasingham responsible. Even (government) said.

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